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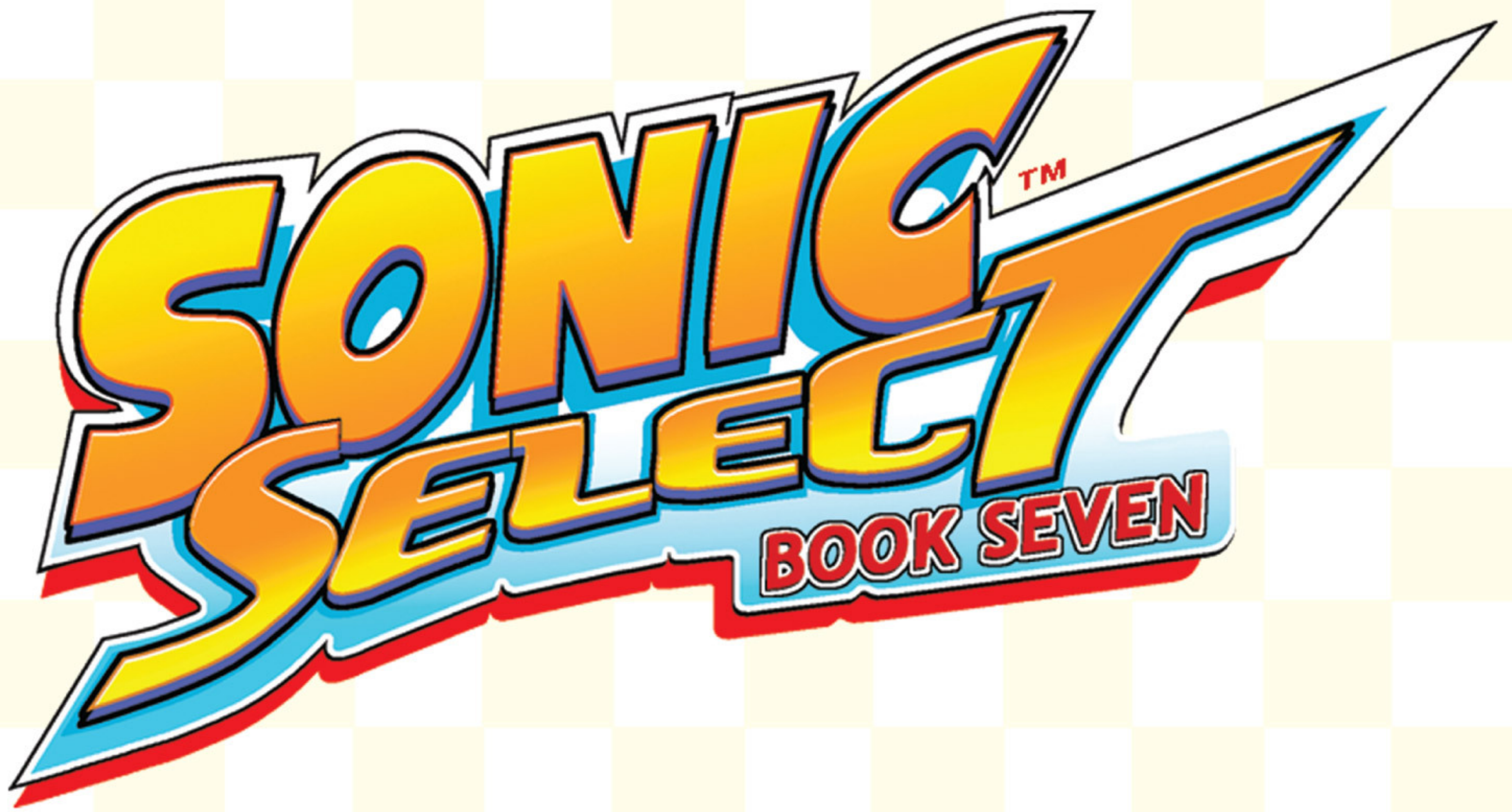


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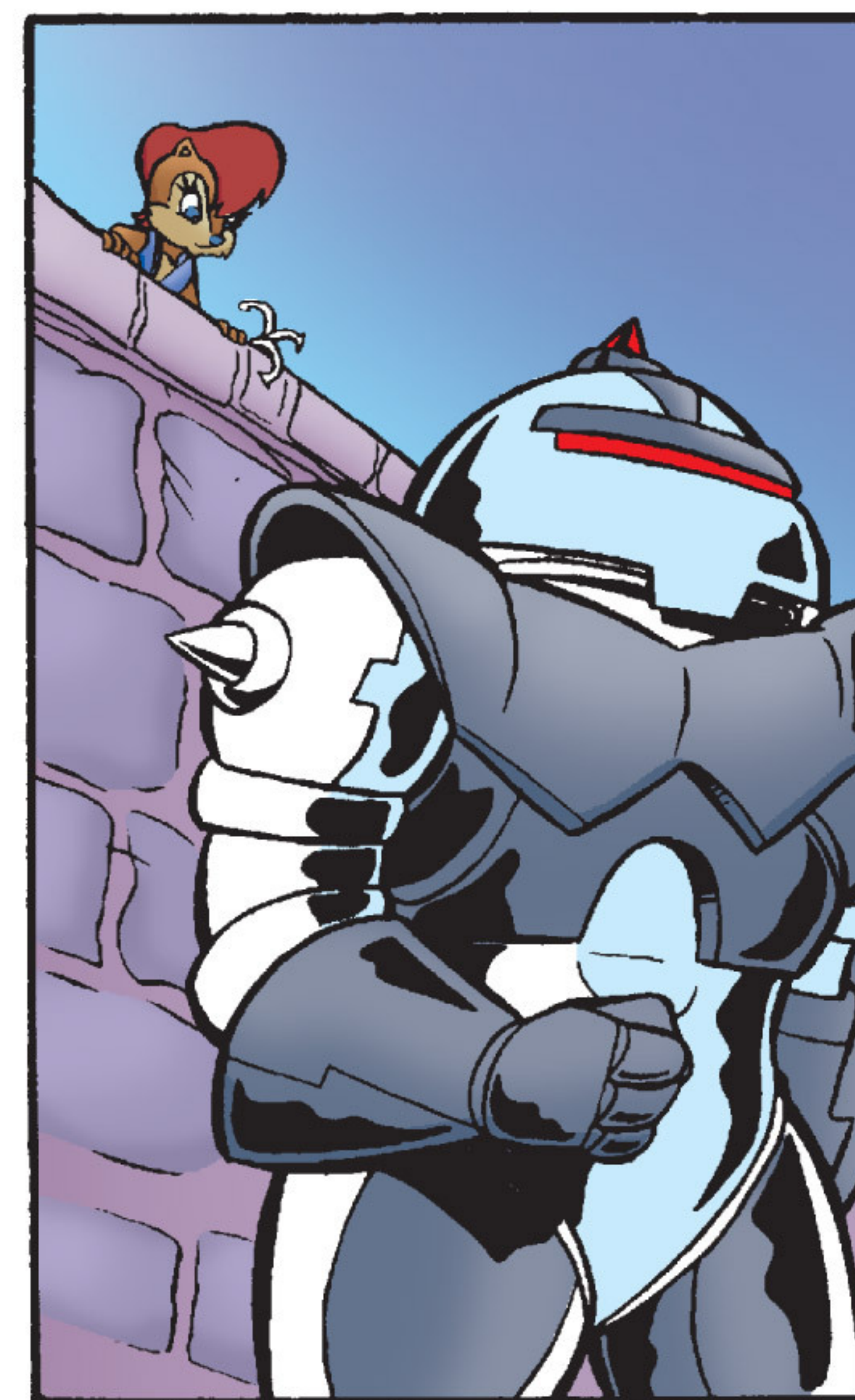
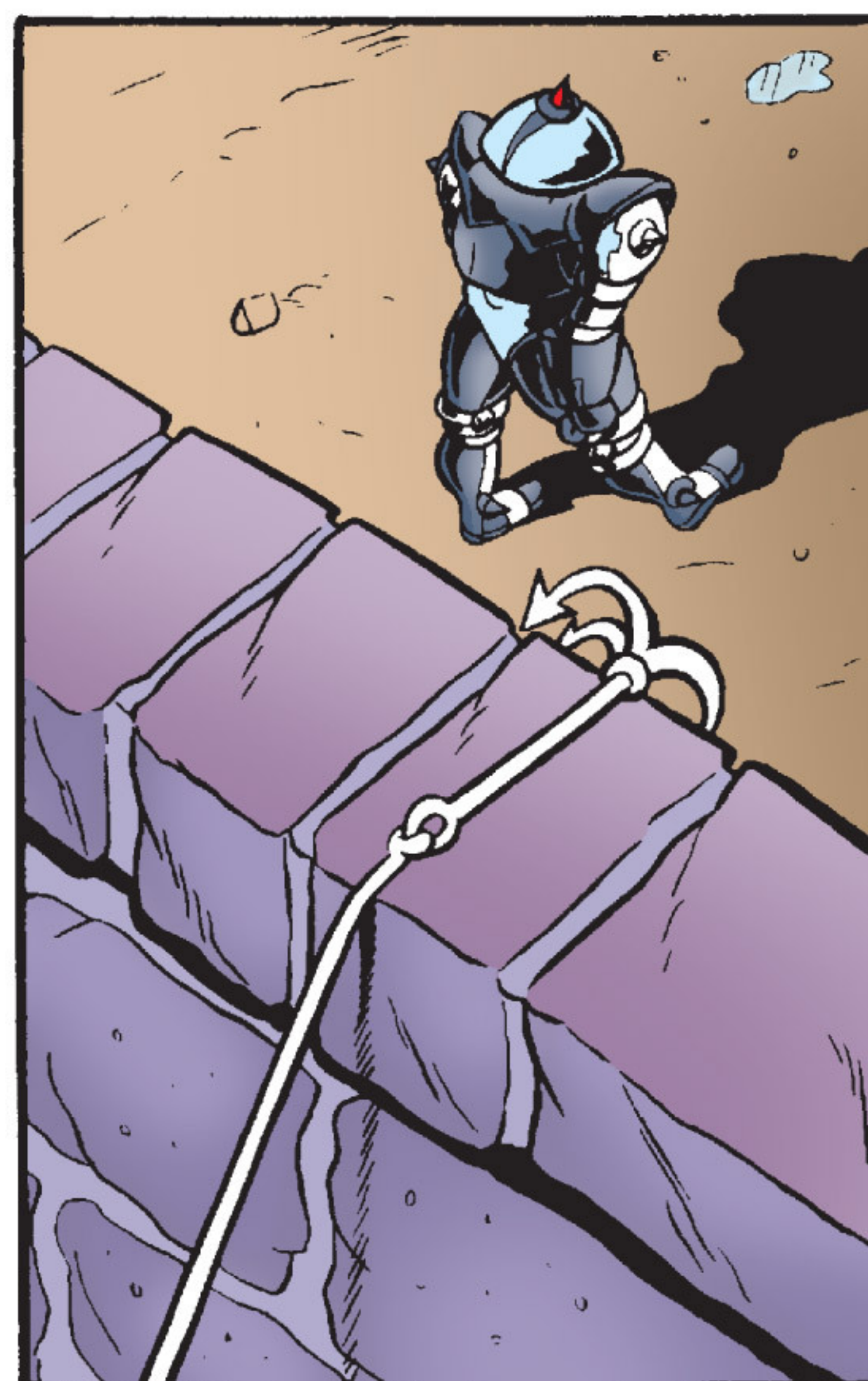
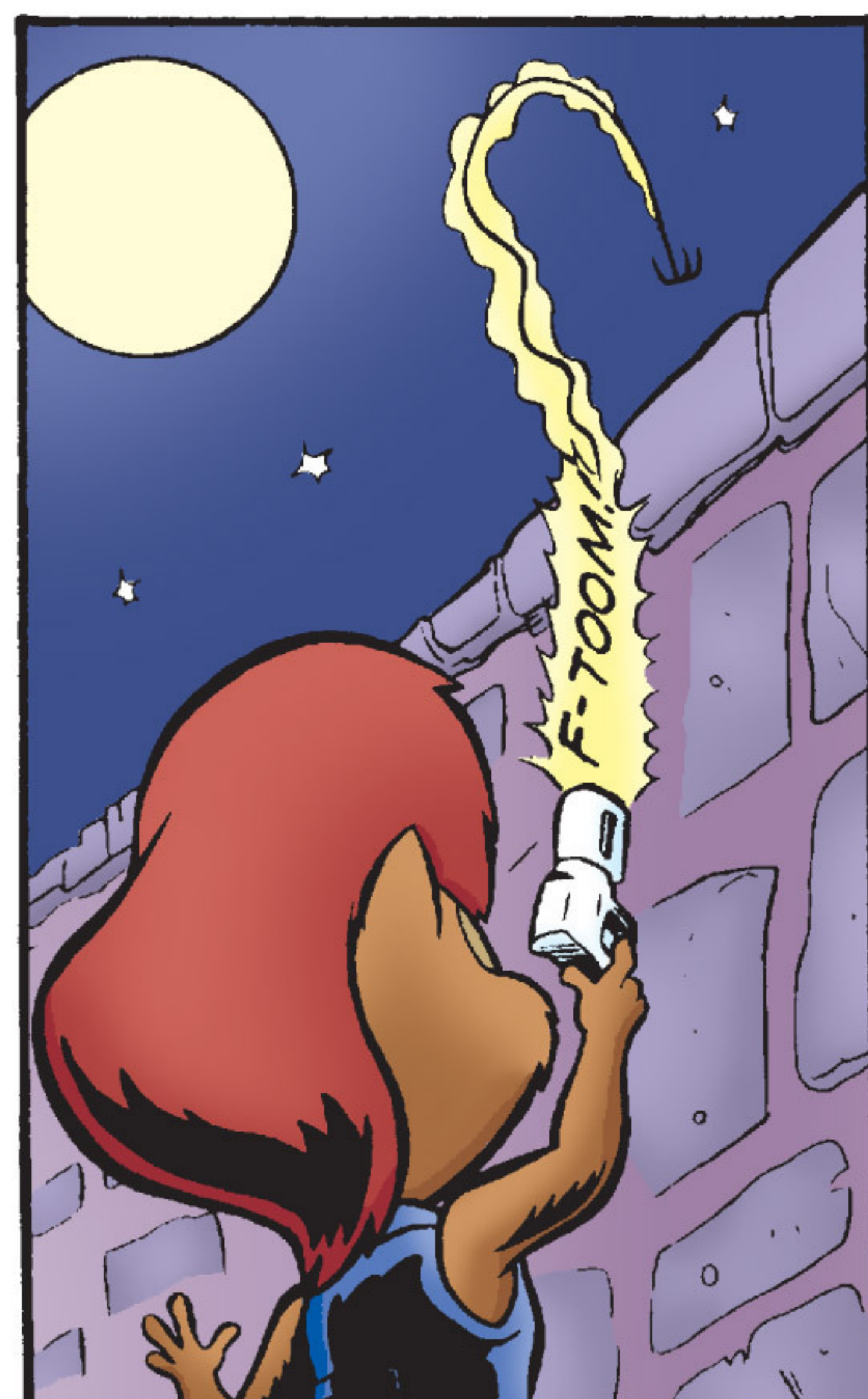
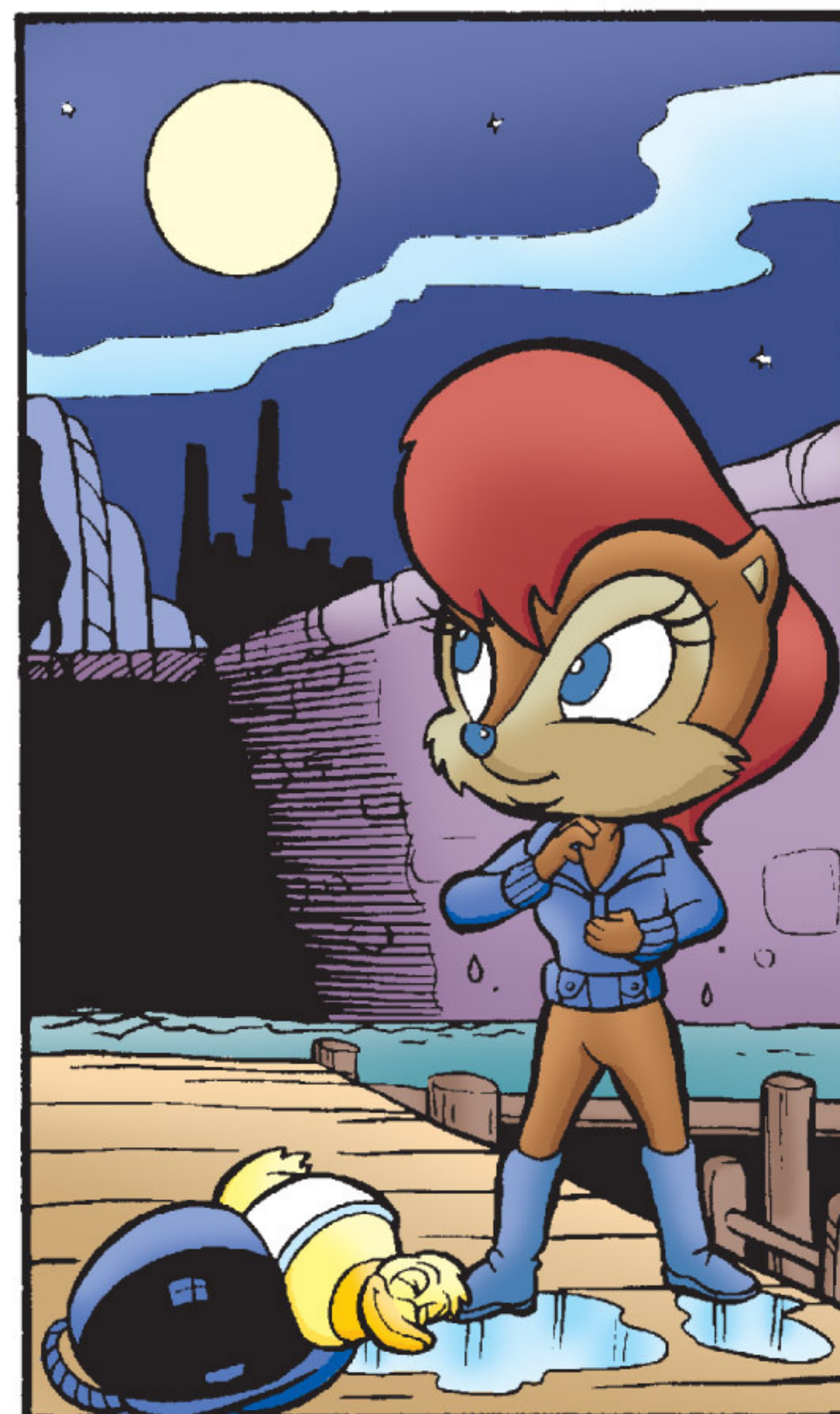
Dr. Robotnik's full plan is revealed and the menace of the Auto-Automatons is nearly upon us! Is the Sally leading the charge the real thing, or an evil robot clone? And whose side is Geoffrey on, anyway?! Time is running out for our heroes in this explosive finale.

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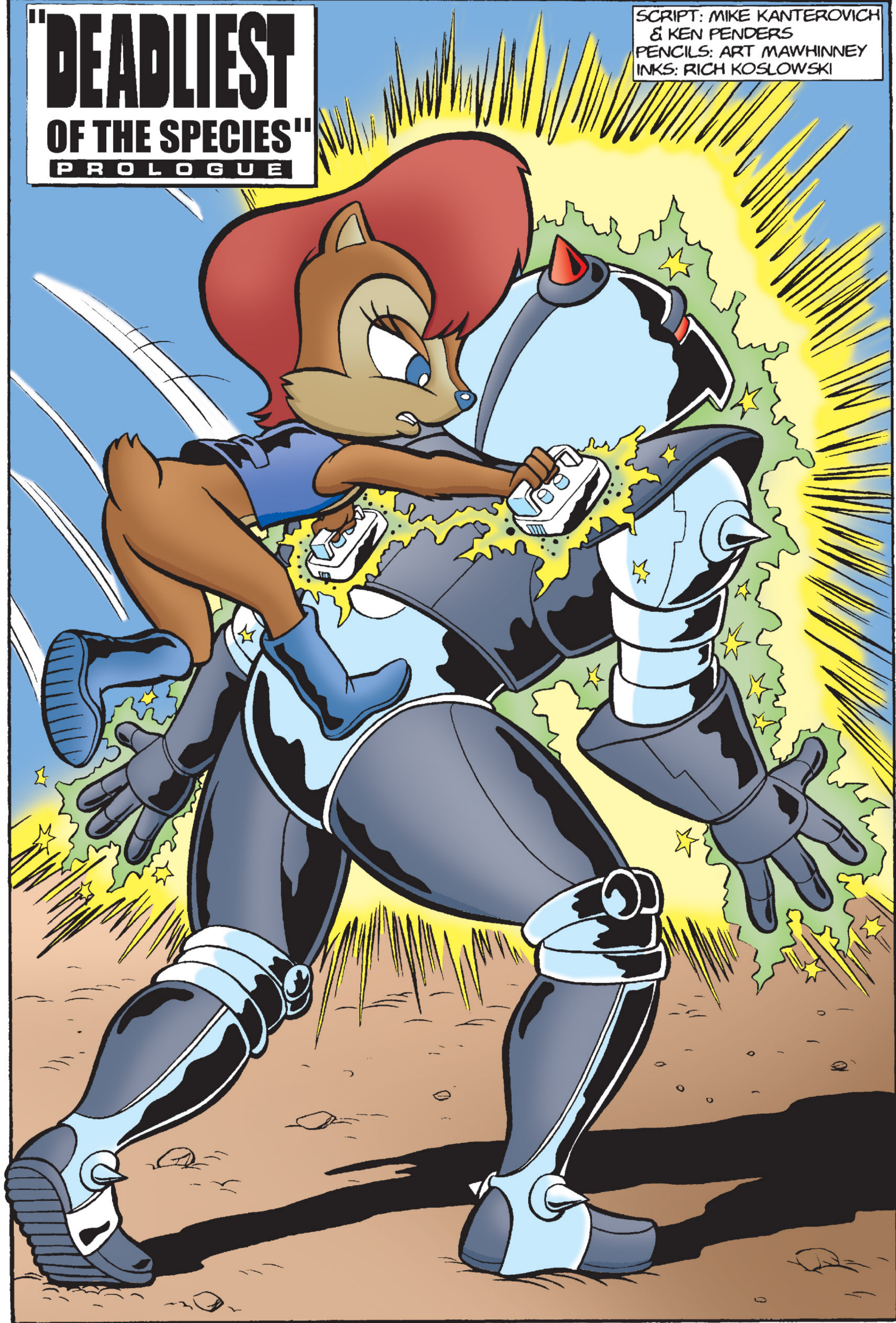
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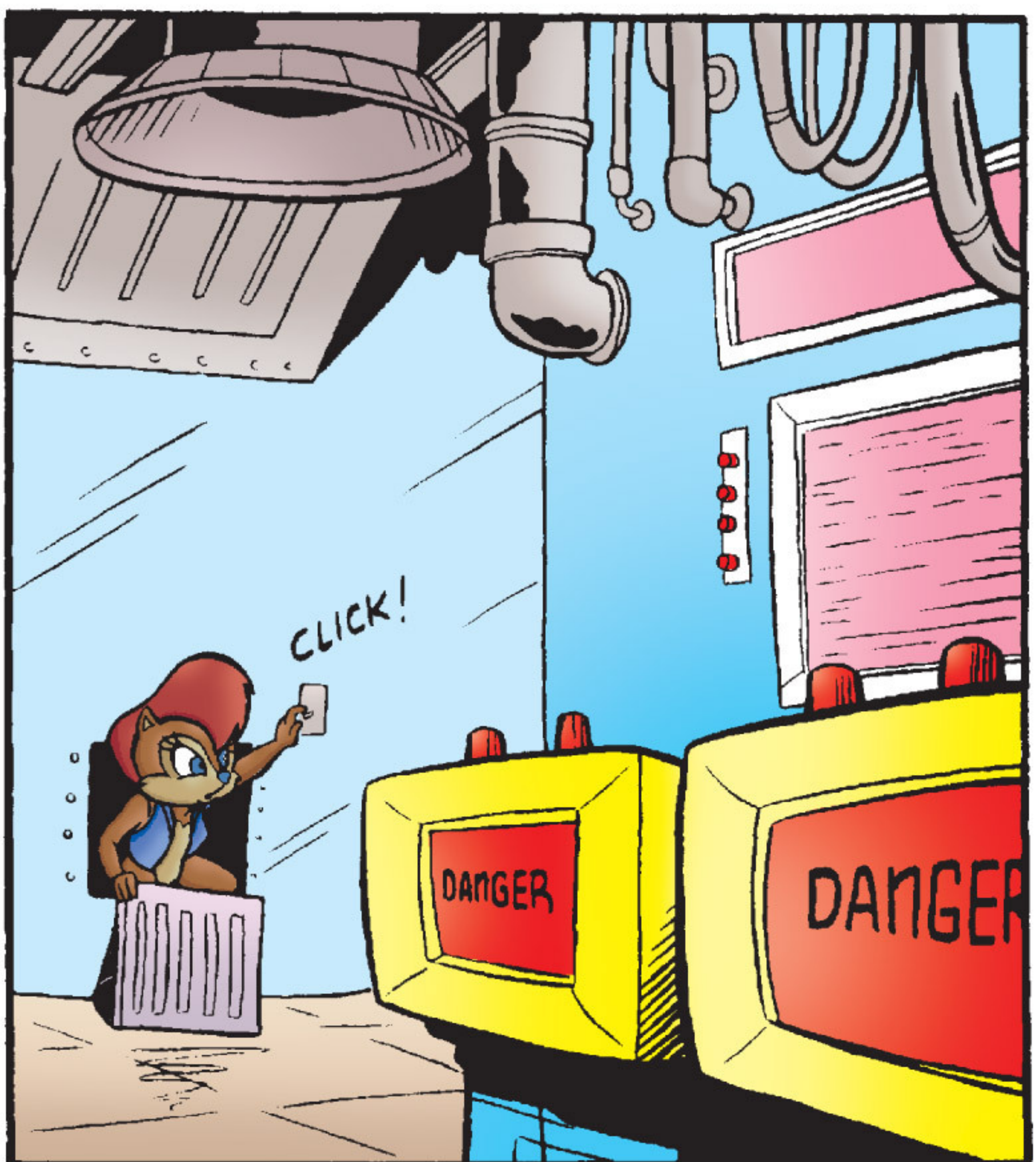
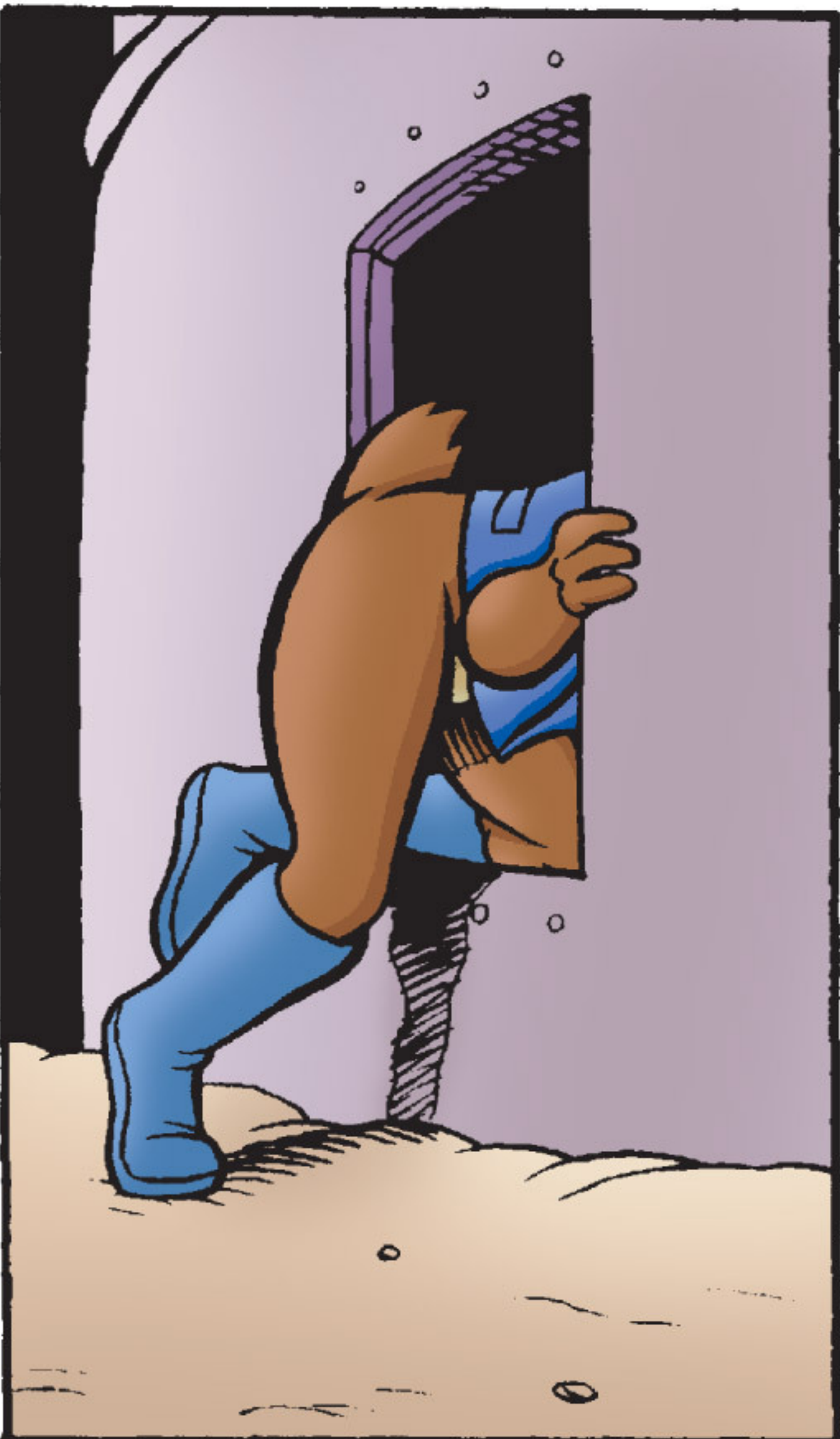
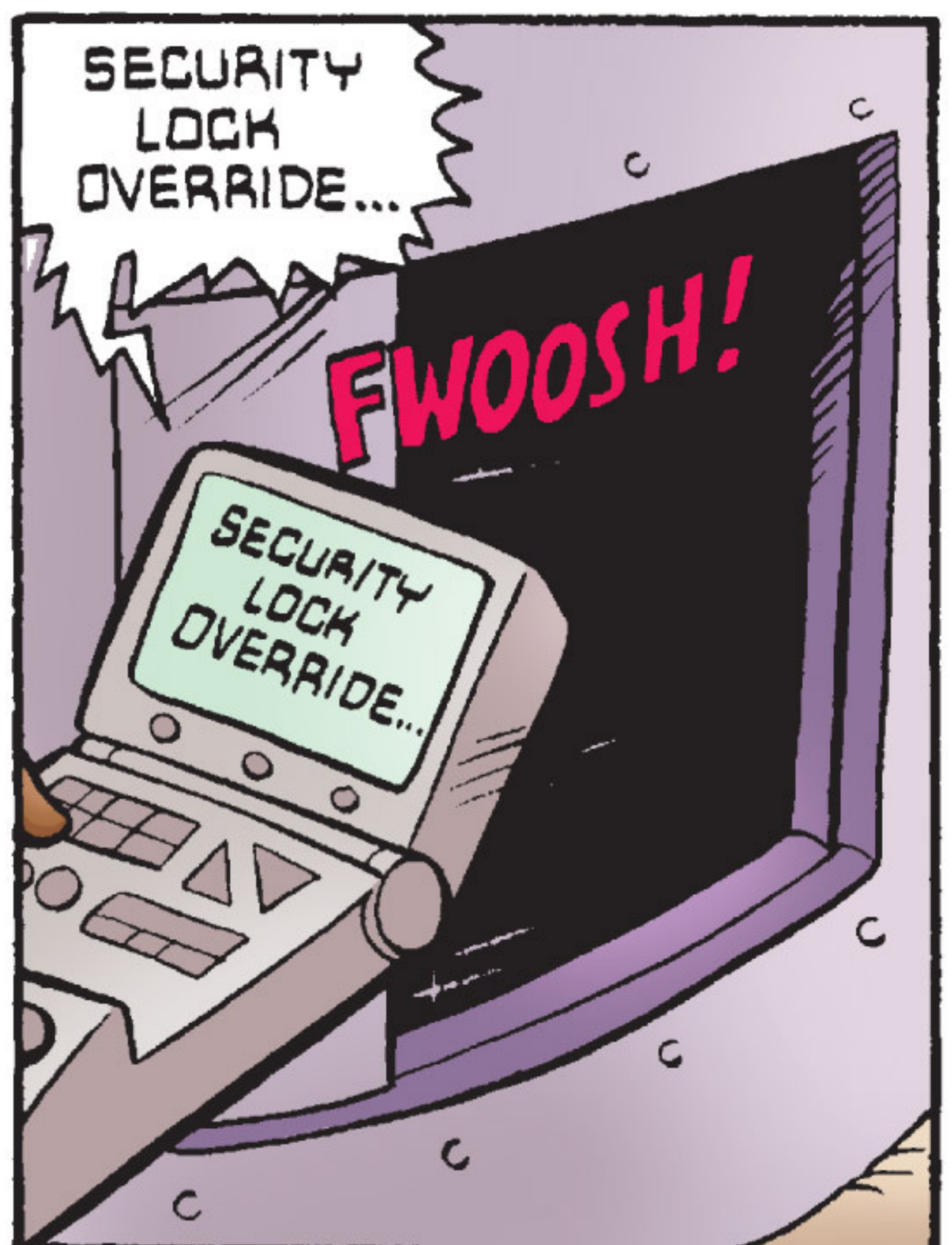
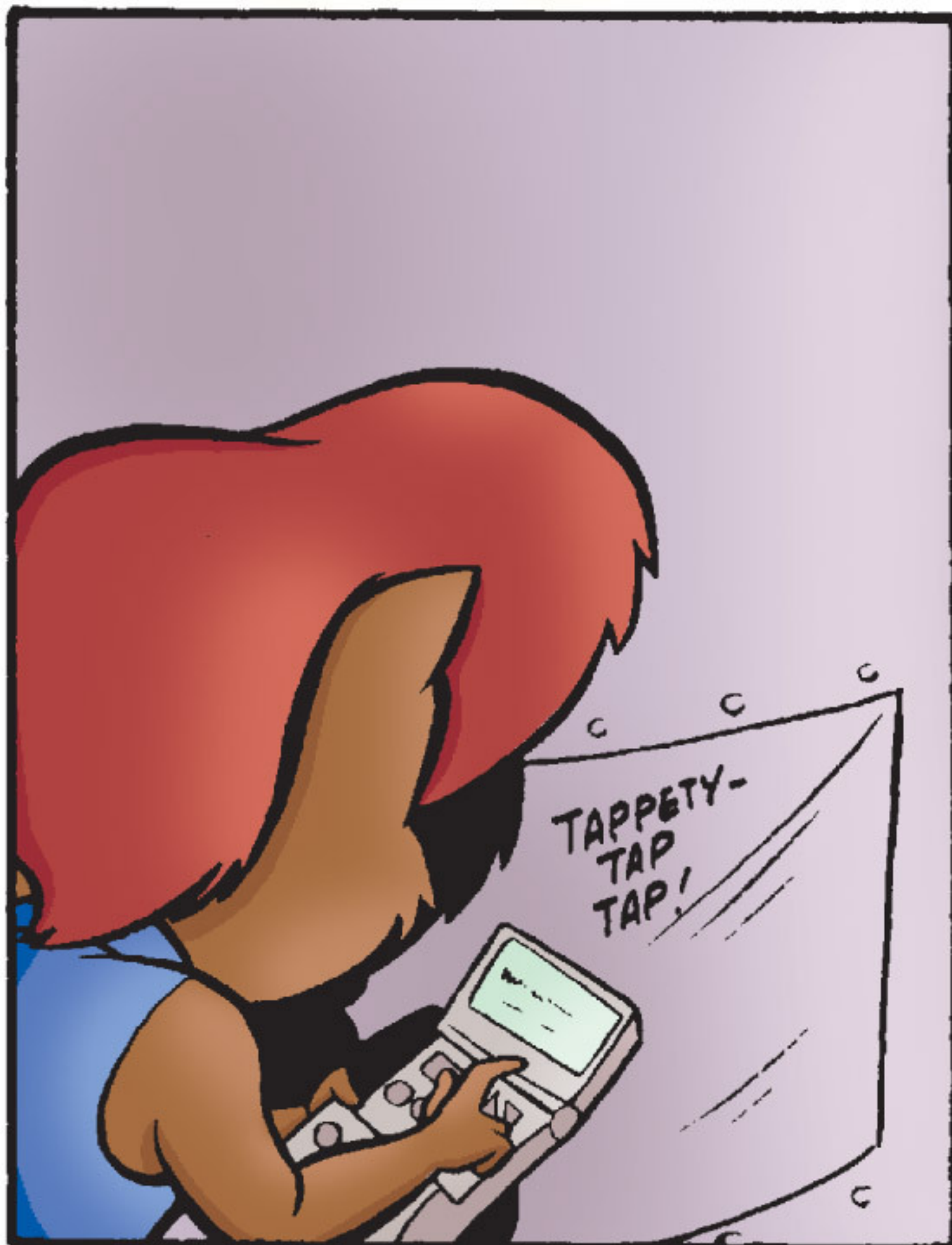
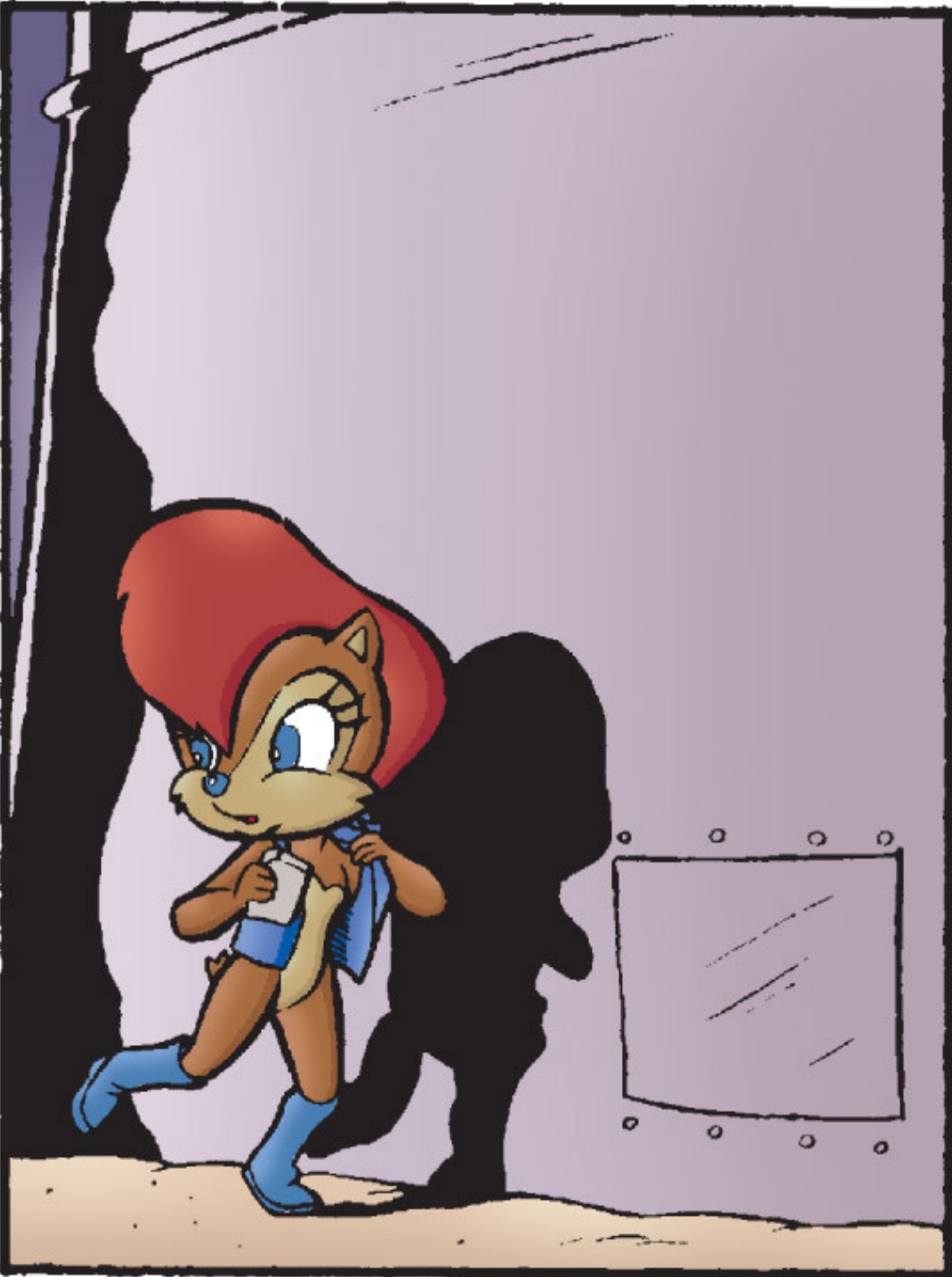
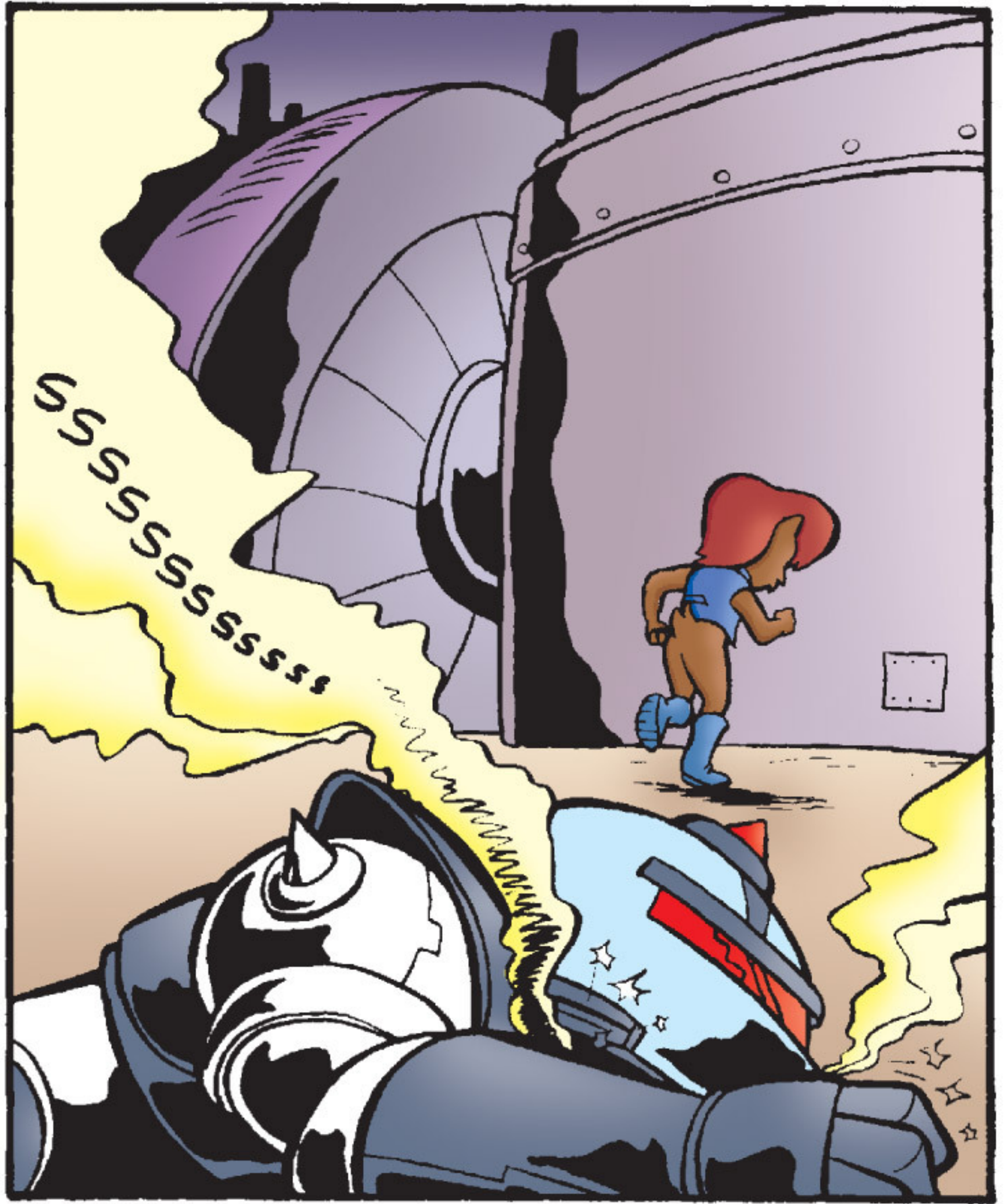
Sally and Sonic haven't had the most stable of relationships. Their on-again/off-again romance is almost as legendary as the heroes themselves! In the aftermath of the Iron Dominion's invasion they take a second to see if they can rekindle that old flame -- if the rest of the city will let them!

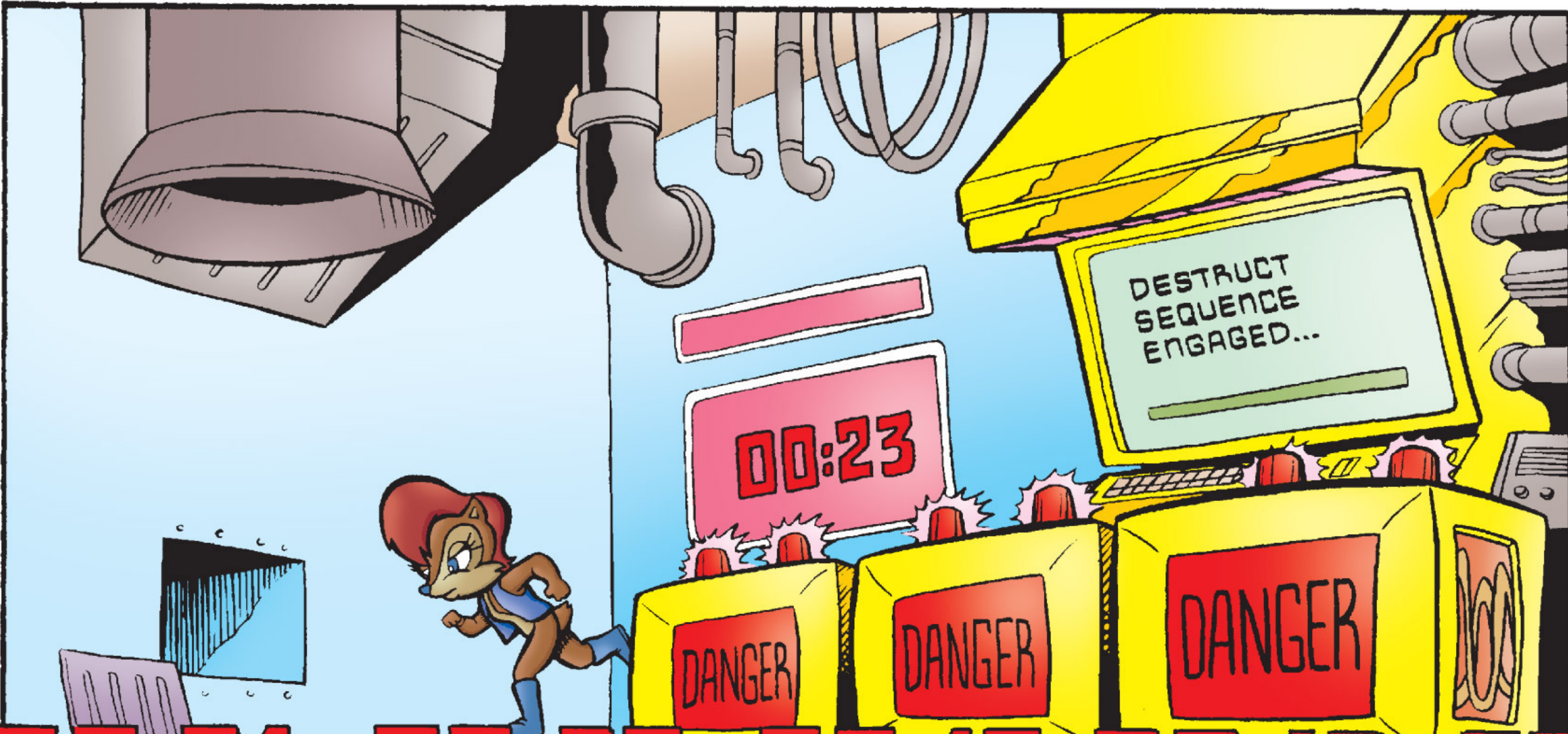
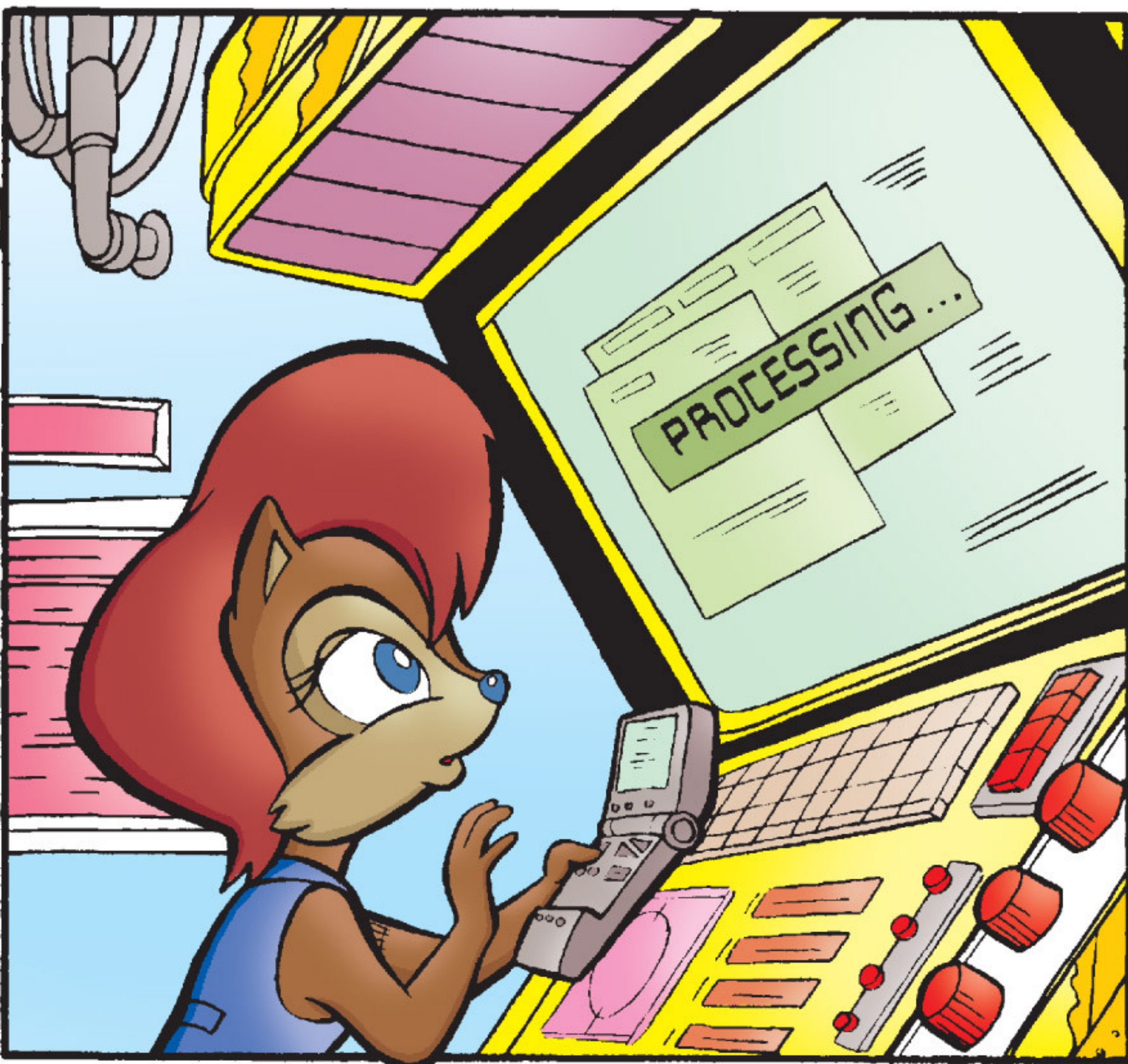
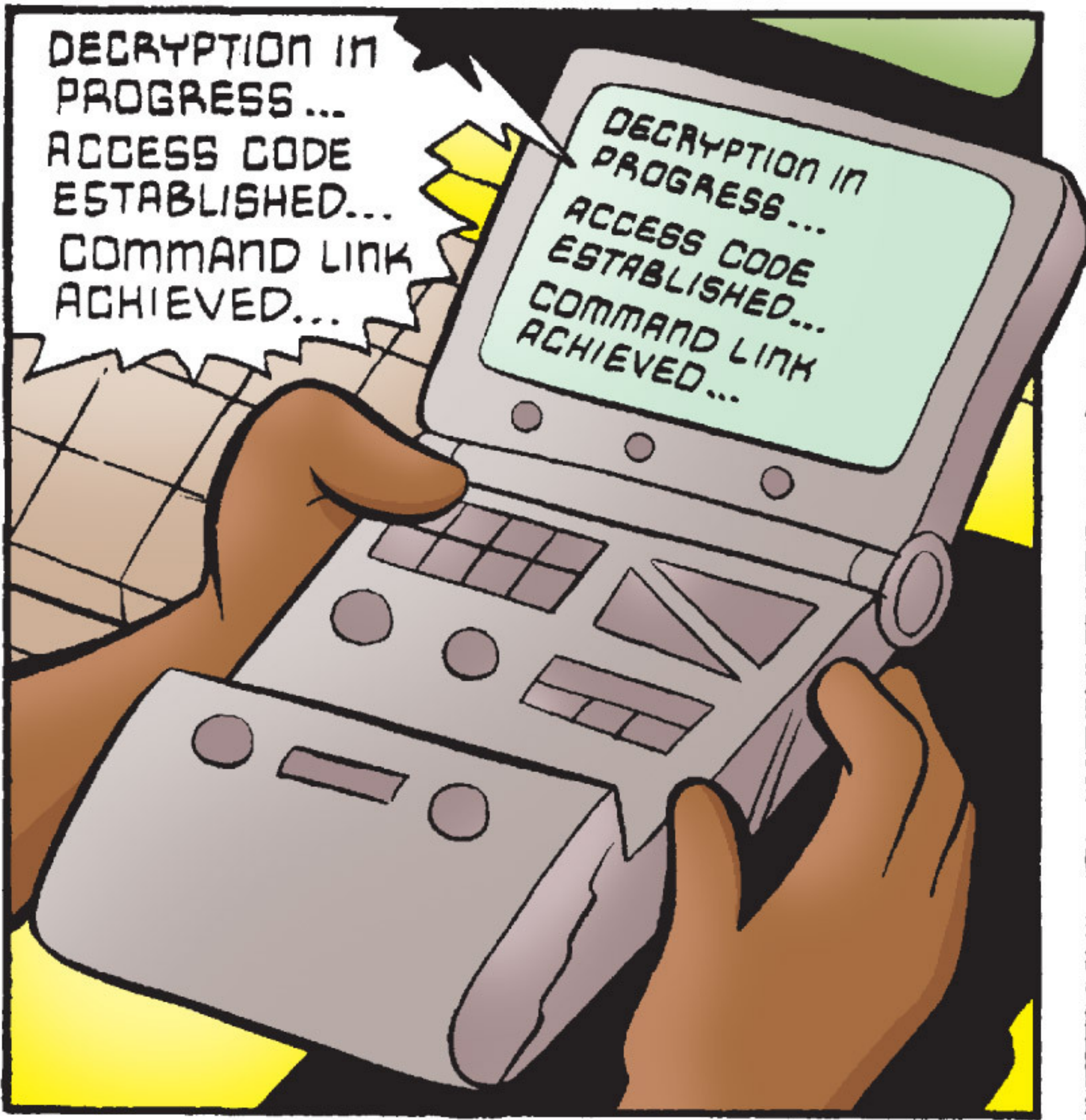


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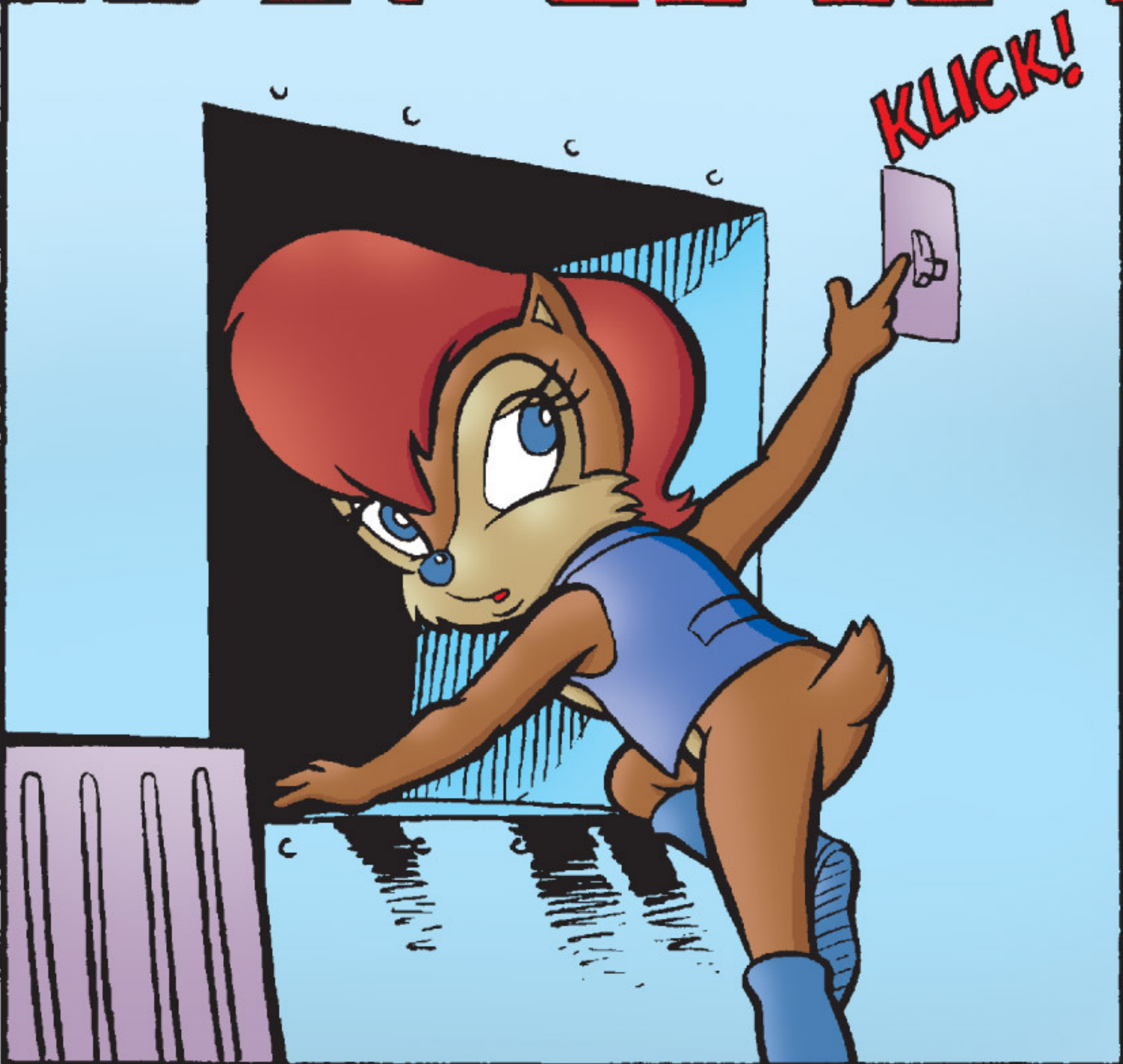
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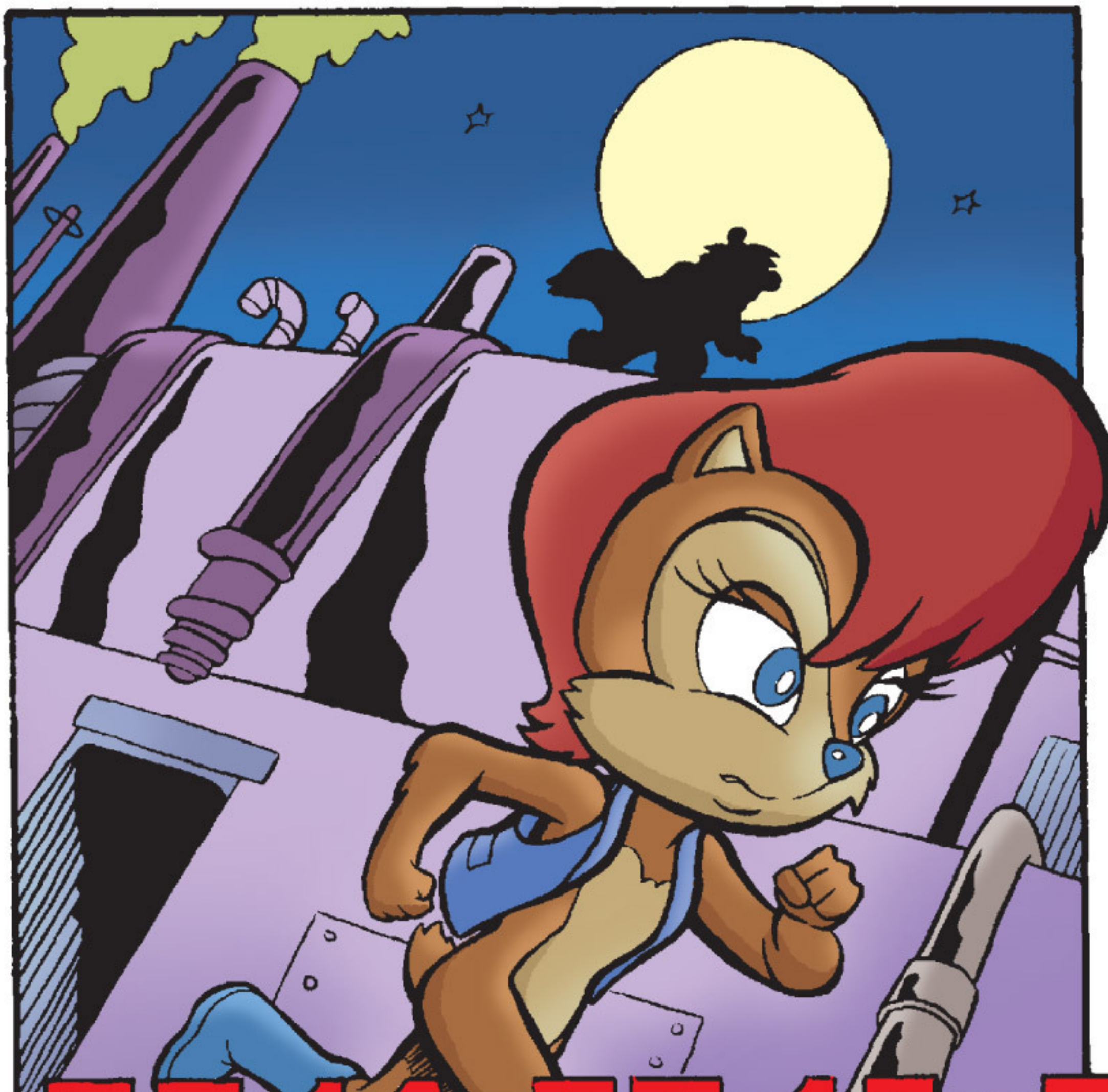


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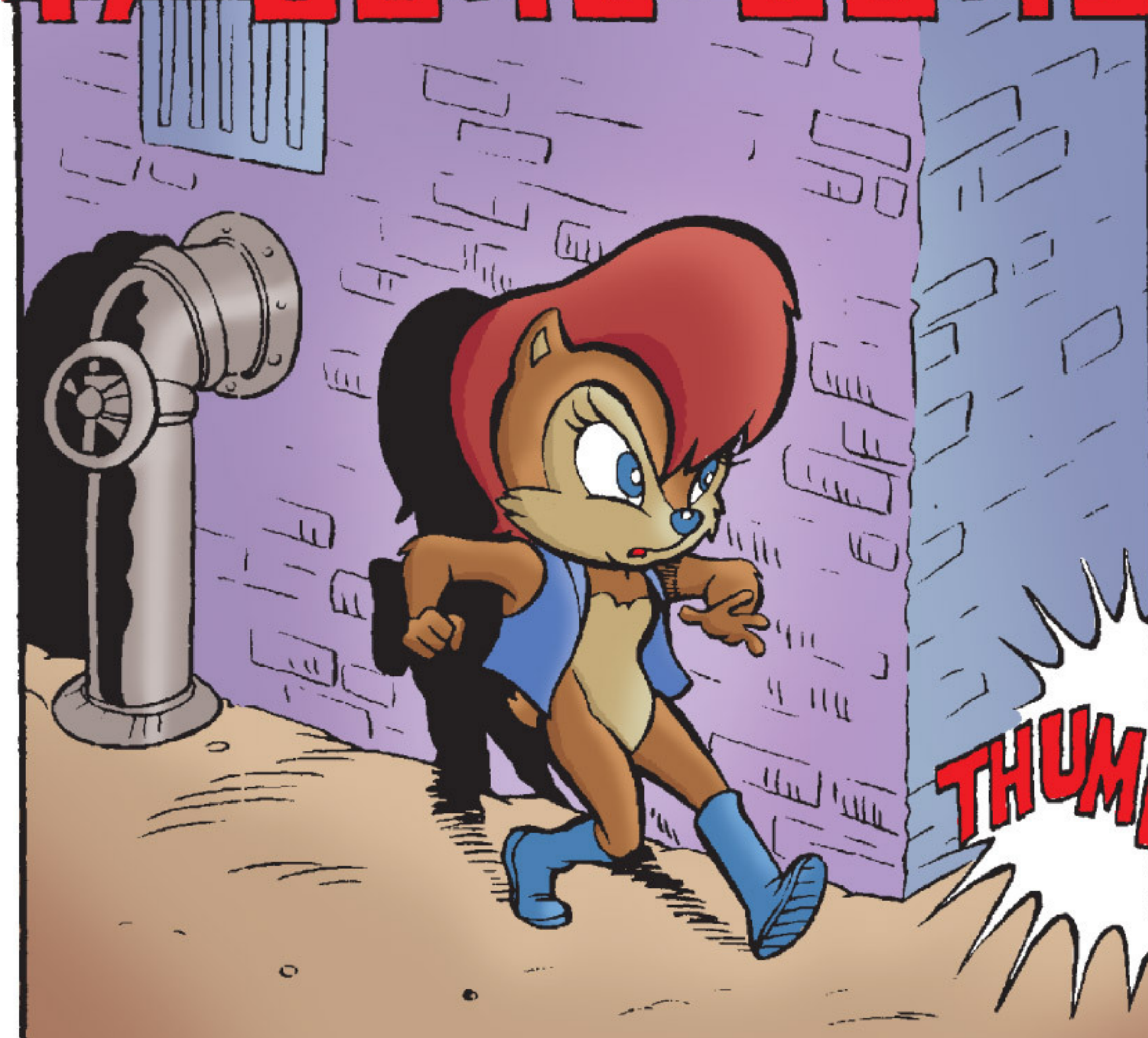




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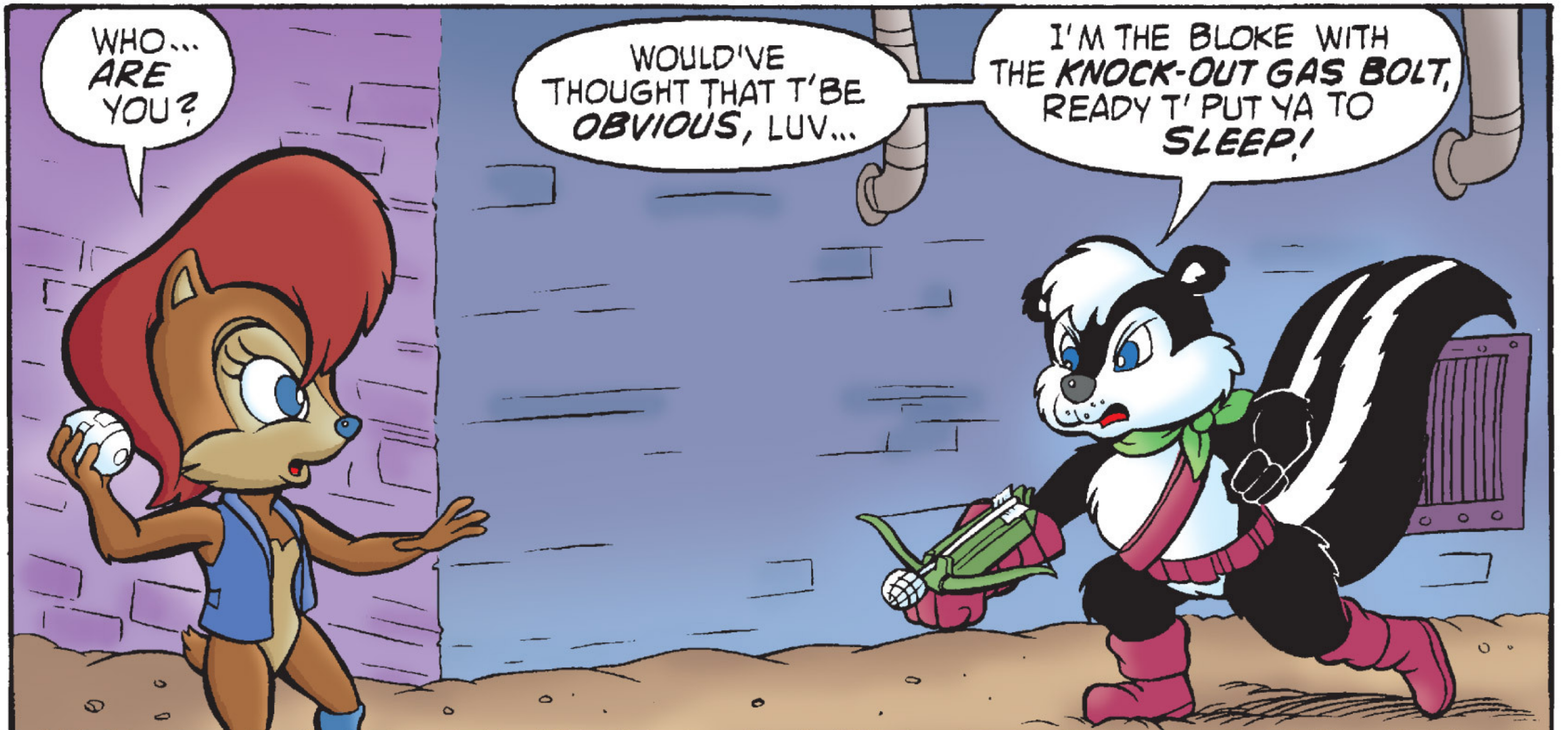
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WHO...
ARE
YOU?

WOULD'VE
THOUGHT THAT T'BE
OBVIOUS, LUV...

I'M THE BLOKE WITH
THE **KNOCK-OUT GAS BOLT**,
READY T' PUT YA TO
SLEEP!

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NOW EXPLAIN YA SELF,
OR IT'S INTO THE LAND
OF DREAMS FOR YA!



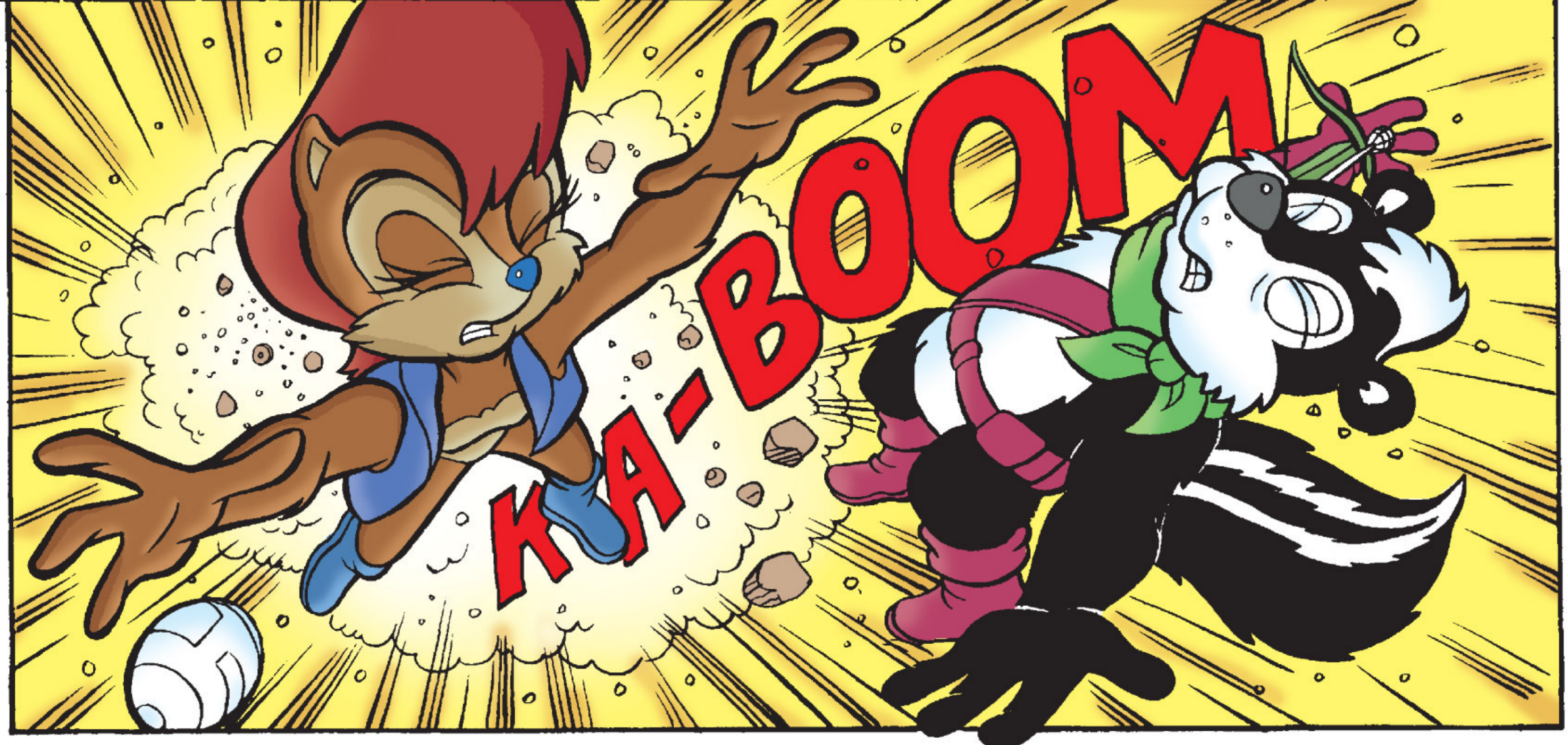
LOOK... WHOEVER YOU
ARE... WE DON'T HAVE
TIME FOR THIS!!

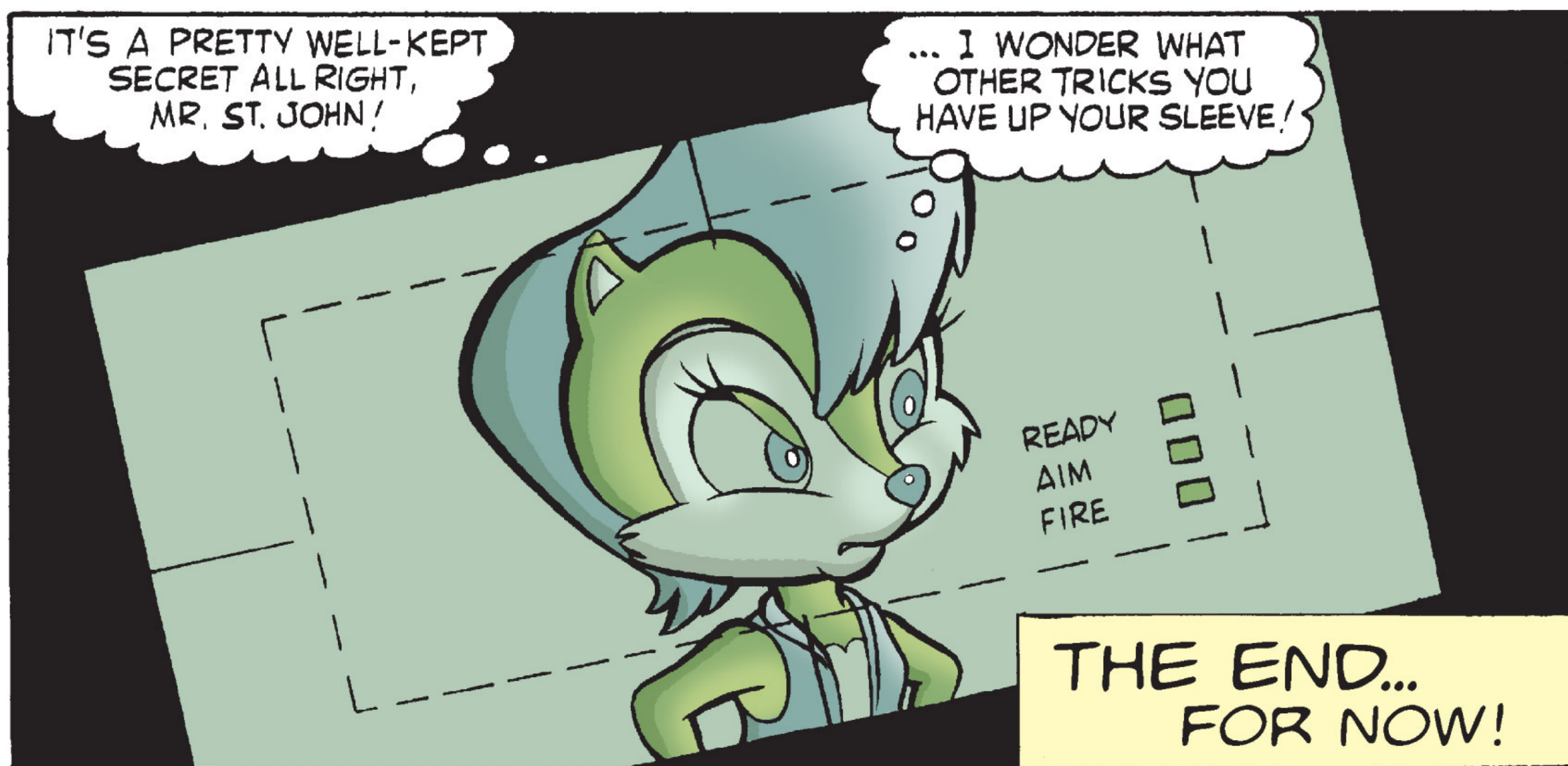
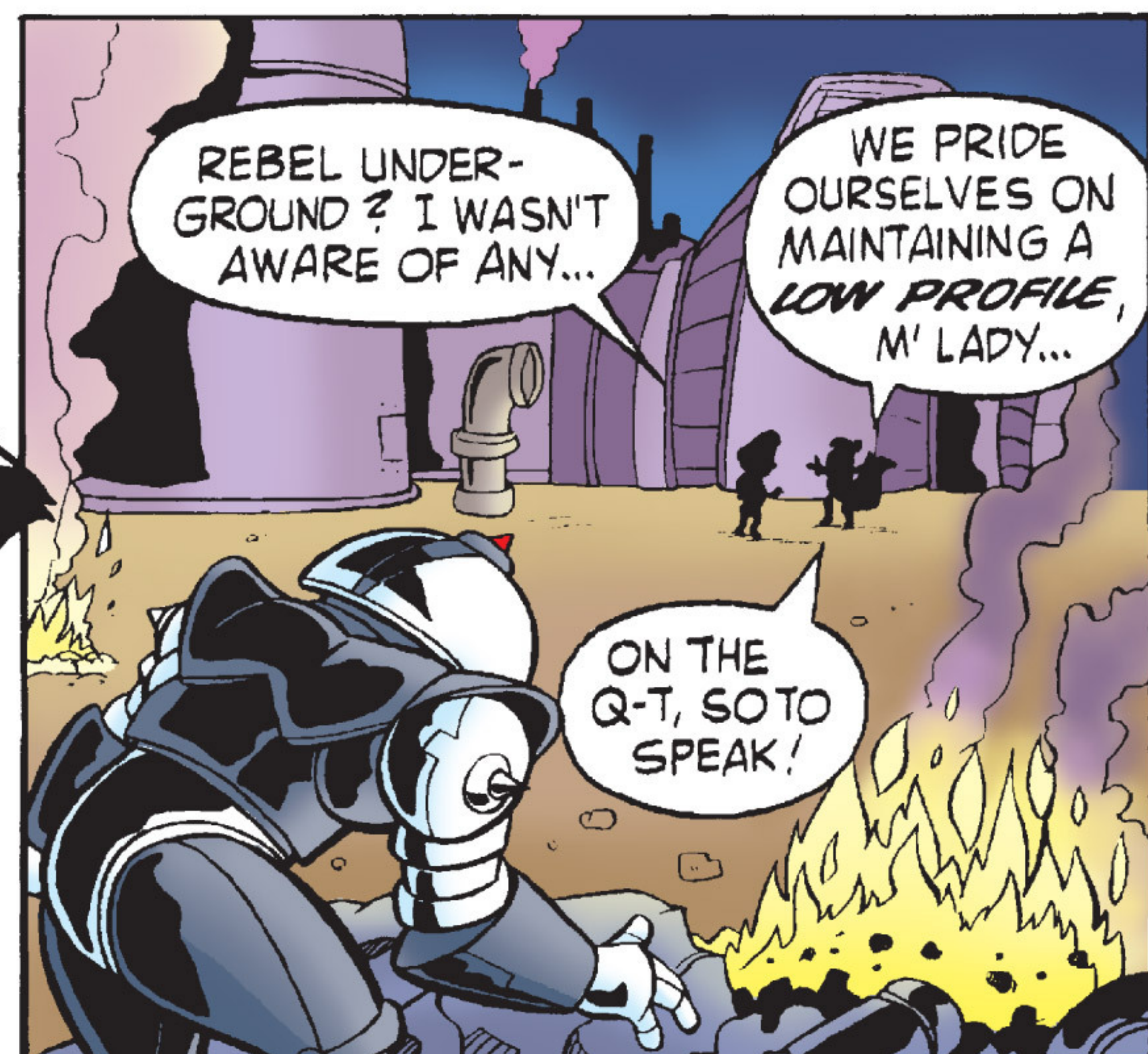
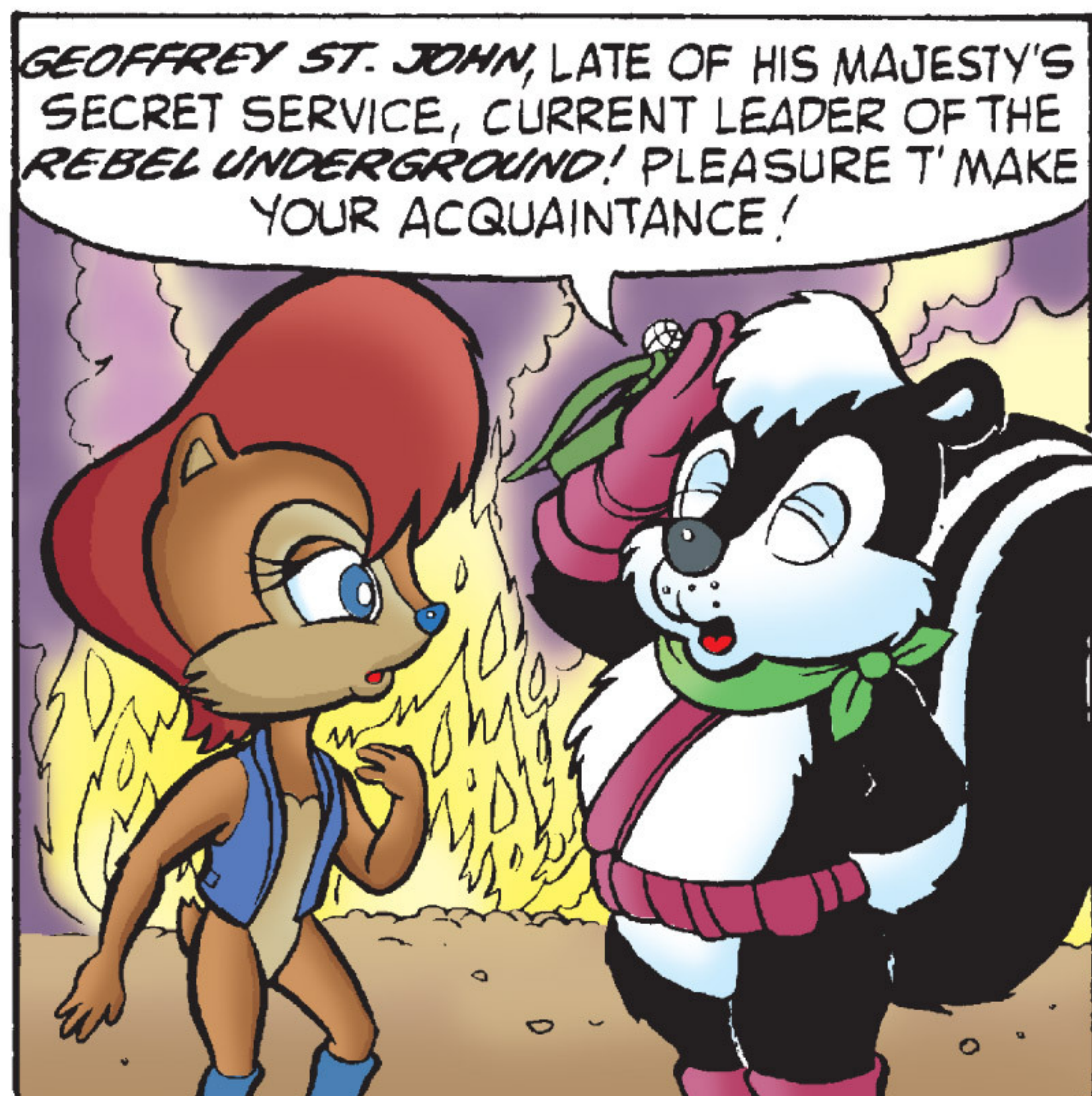
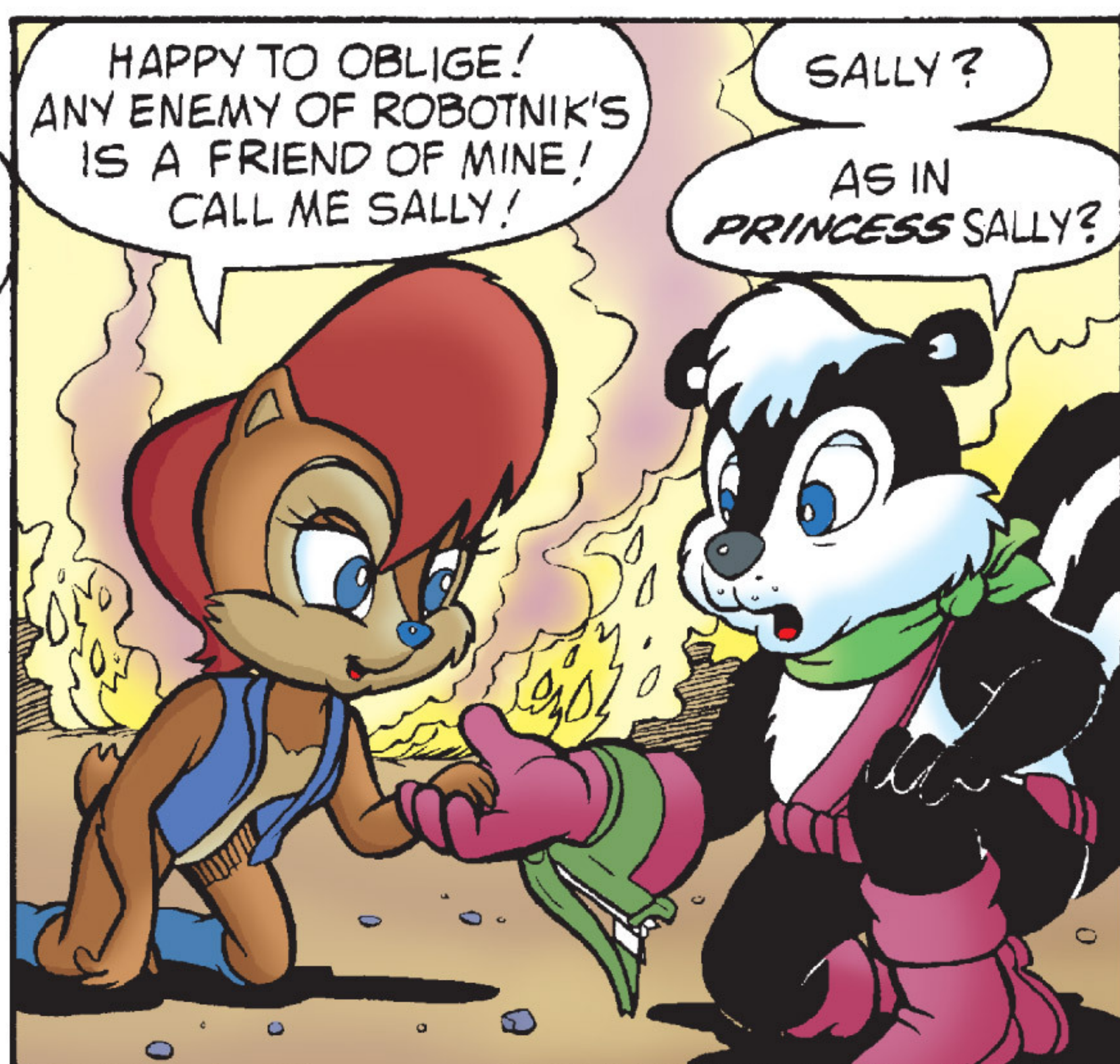
WE NEED TO GET
OUT OF HERE BEFORE
THE **EXPLOSION...**



EXPLOSION?
WHAT
EXPLOSION?!

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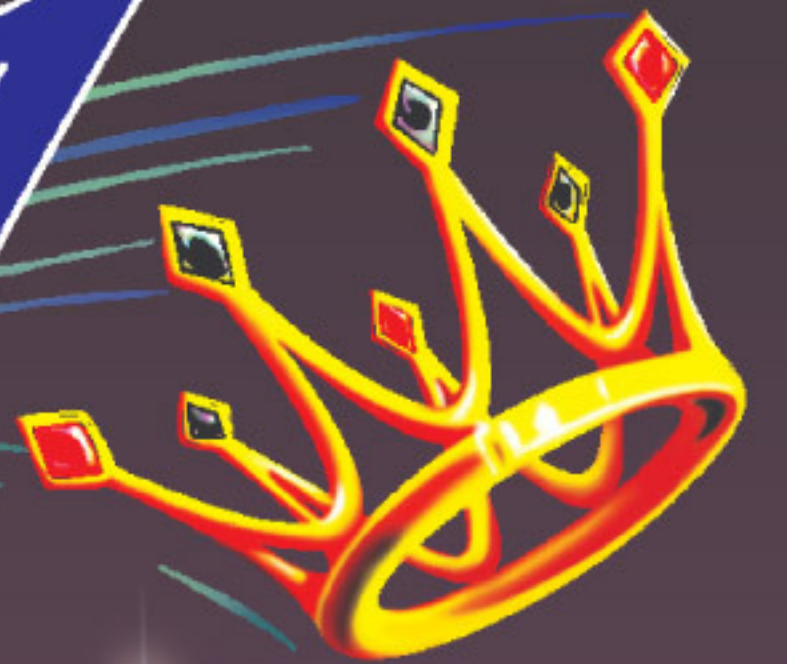
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PRINCESS Sally™



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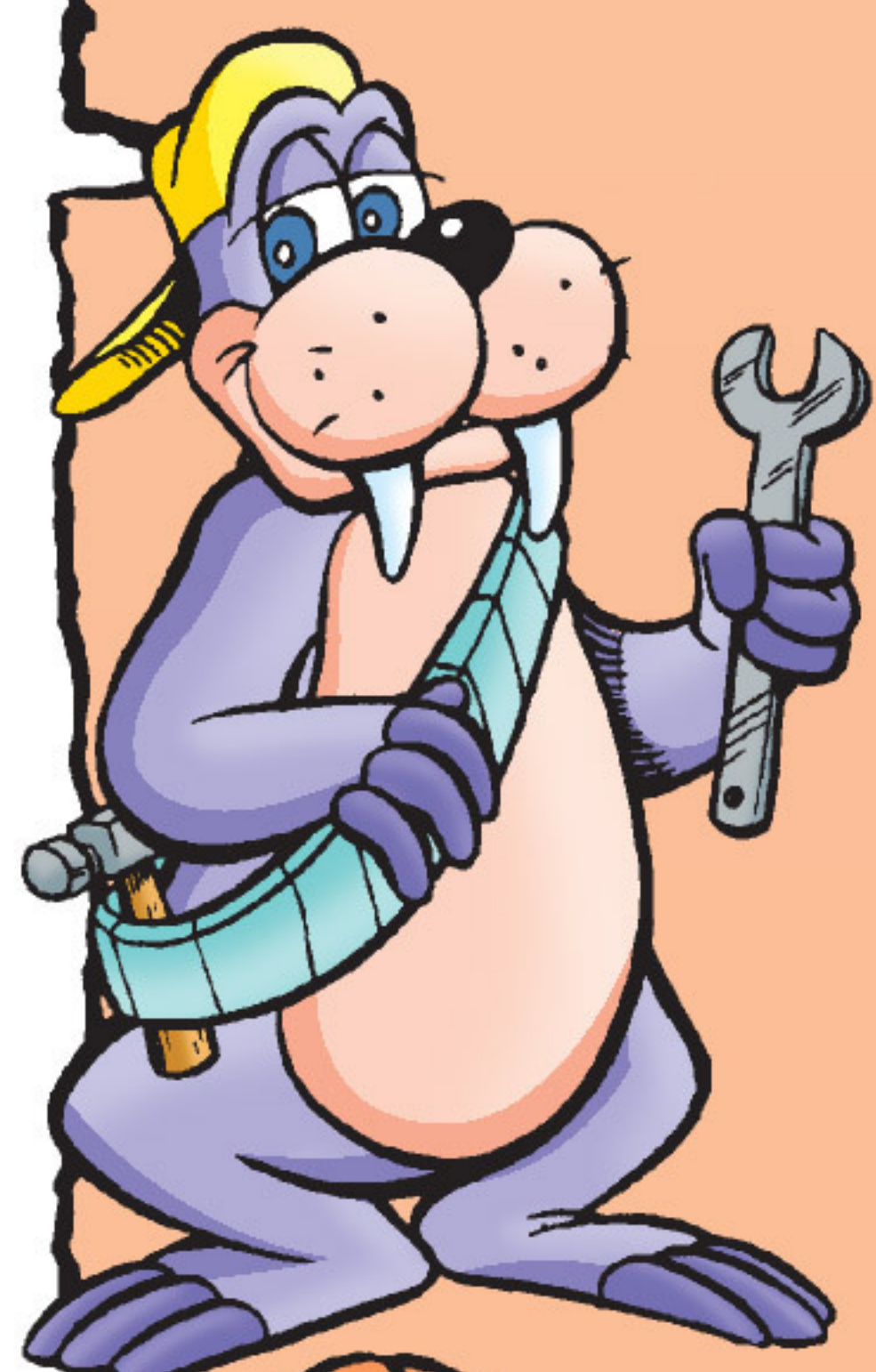
ot long ago, the planet Mobius was a world of great beauty and joy. Guided by the benevolent **King Acorn**, all seemed like a paradise. That is, it was, until the evil **Doctor Ivo Robotnik** rose up against the inhabitants of the great city of **Mobotropolis**, conquering the land and its people.



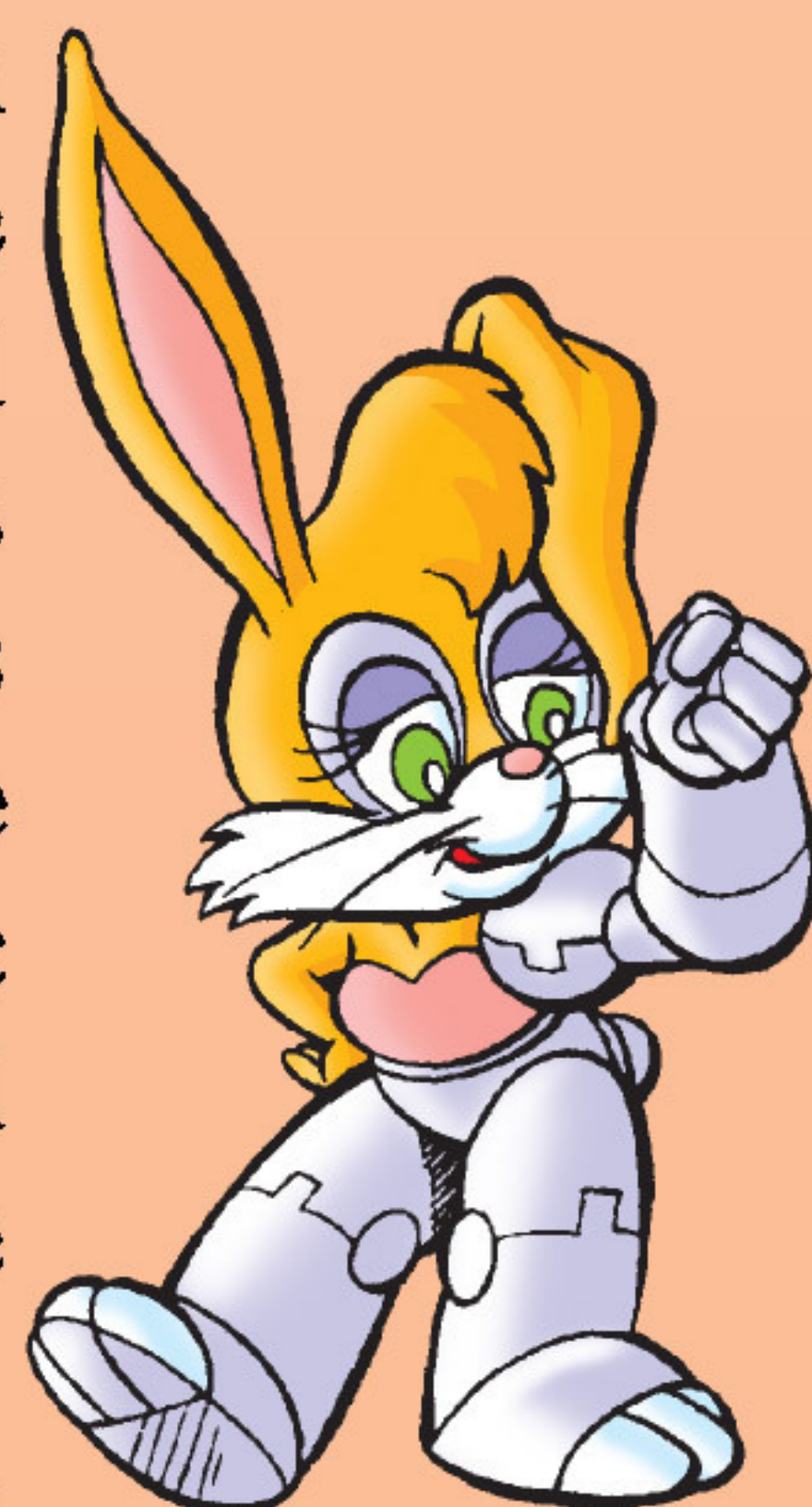
In the aftermath of the devastation created by Robotnik and his mechanical army of **Swatbots**, he subjected the citizens to a process whereby they were remade into **mechanical slaves**, toiling over the polluted lands on the now rechristened **Robotropolis**. As for the king, to this day, no one can be certain of his fate.



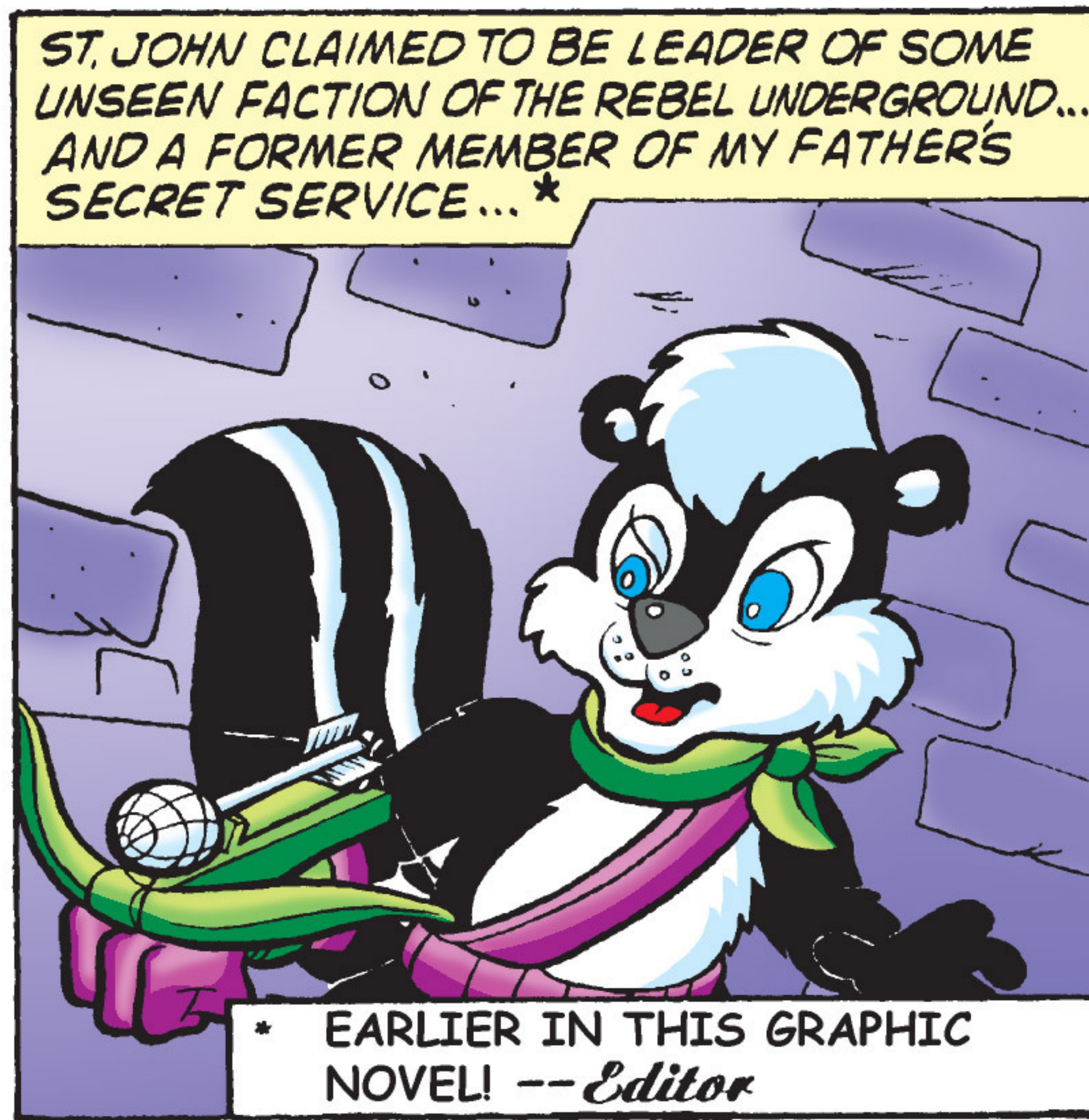
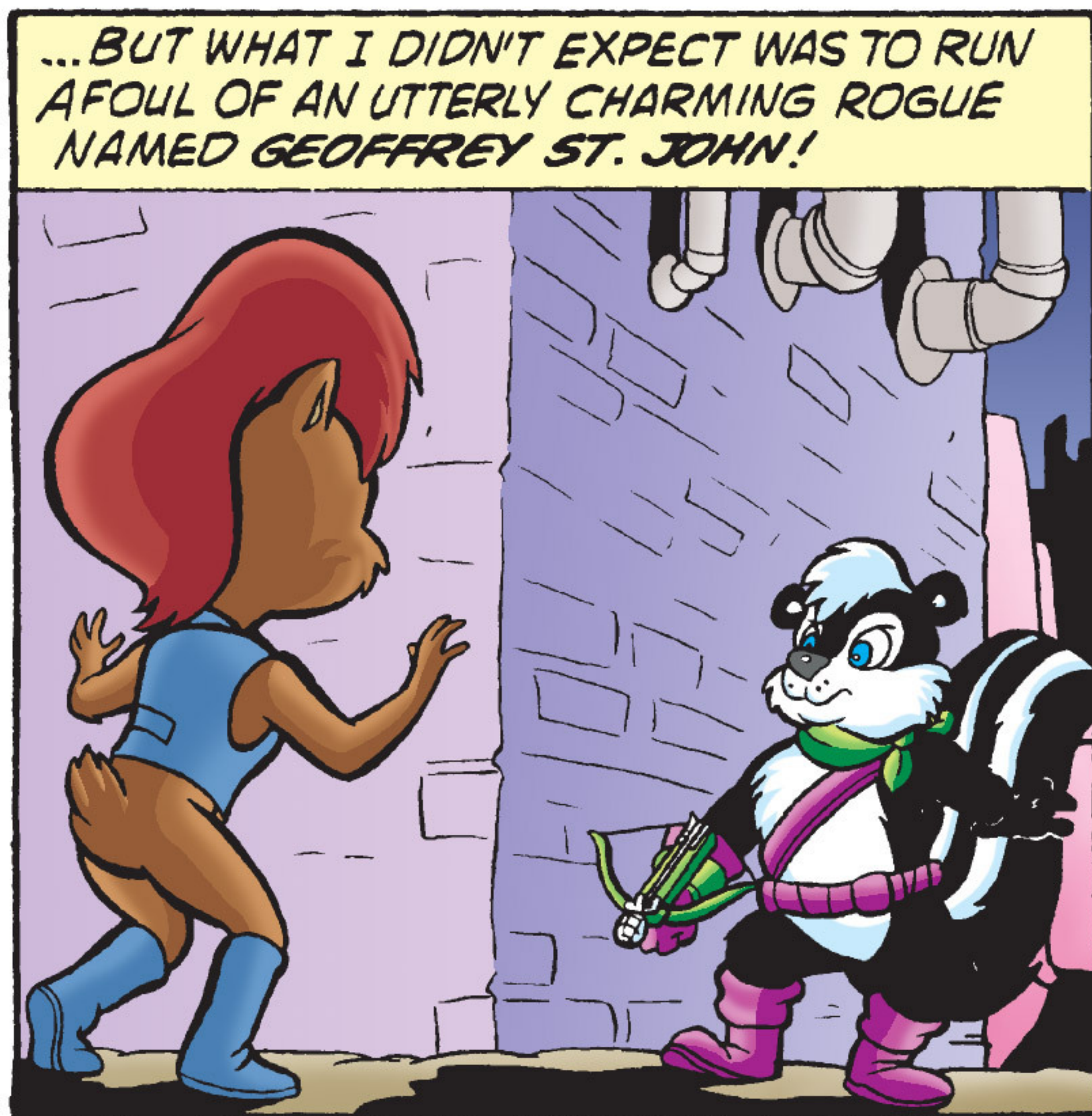
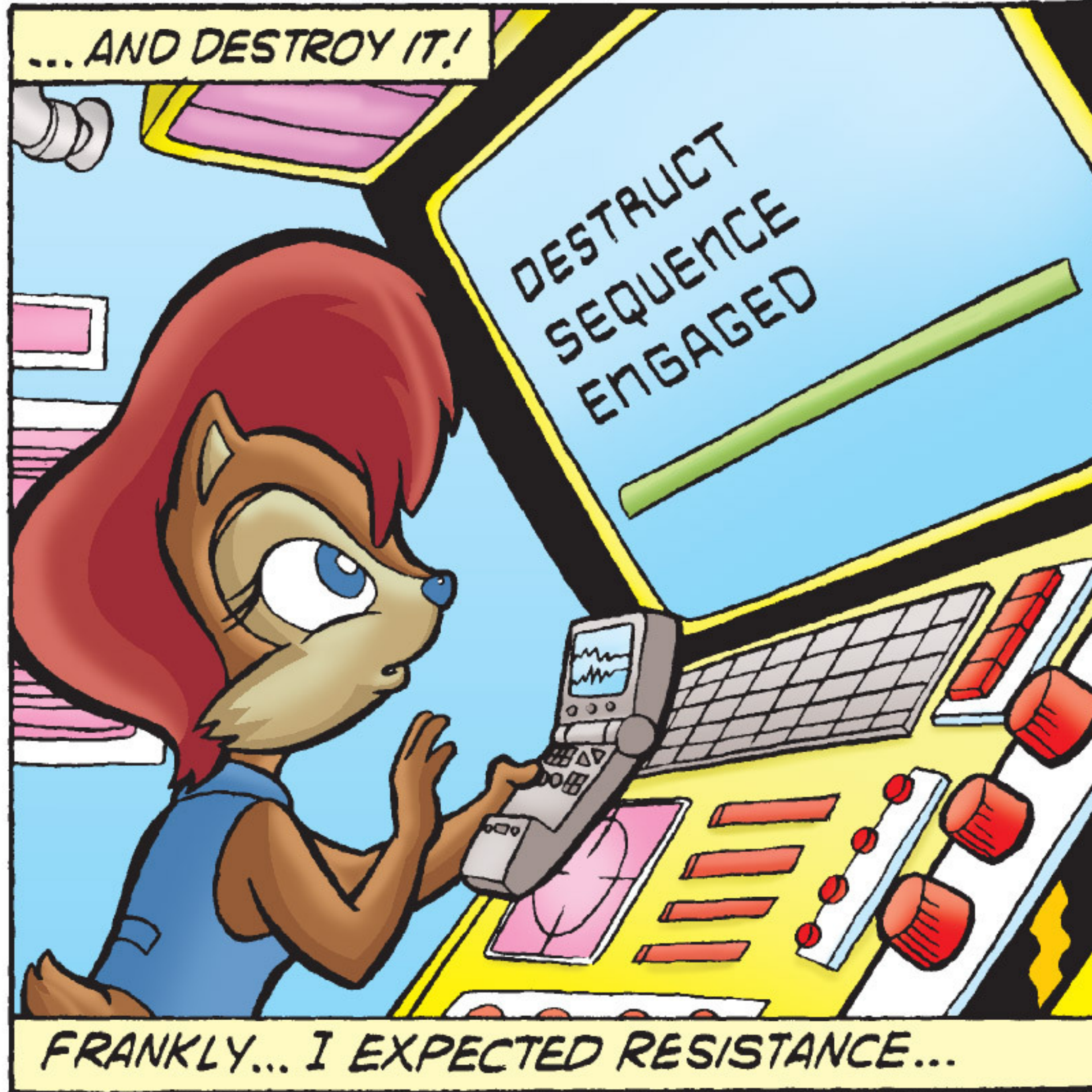
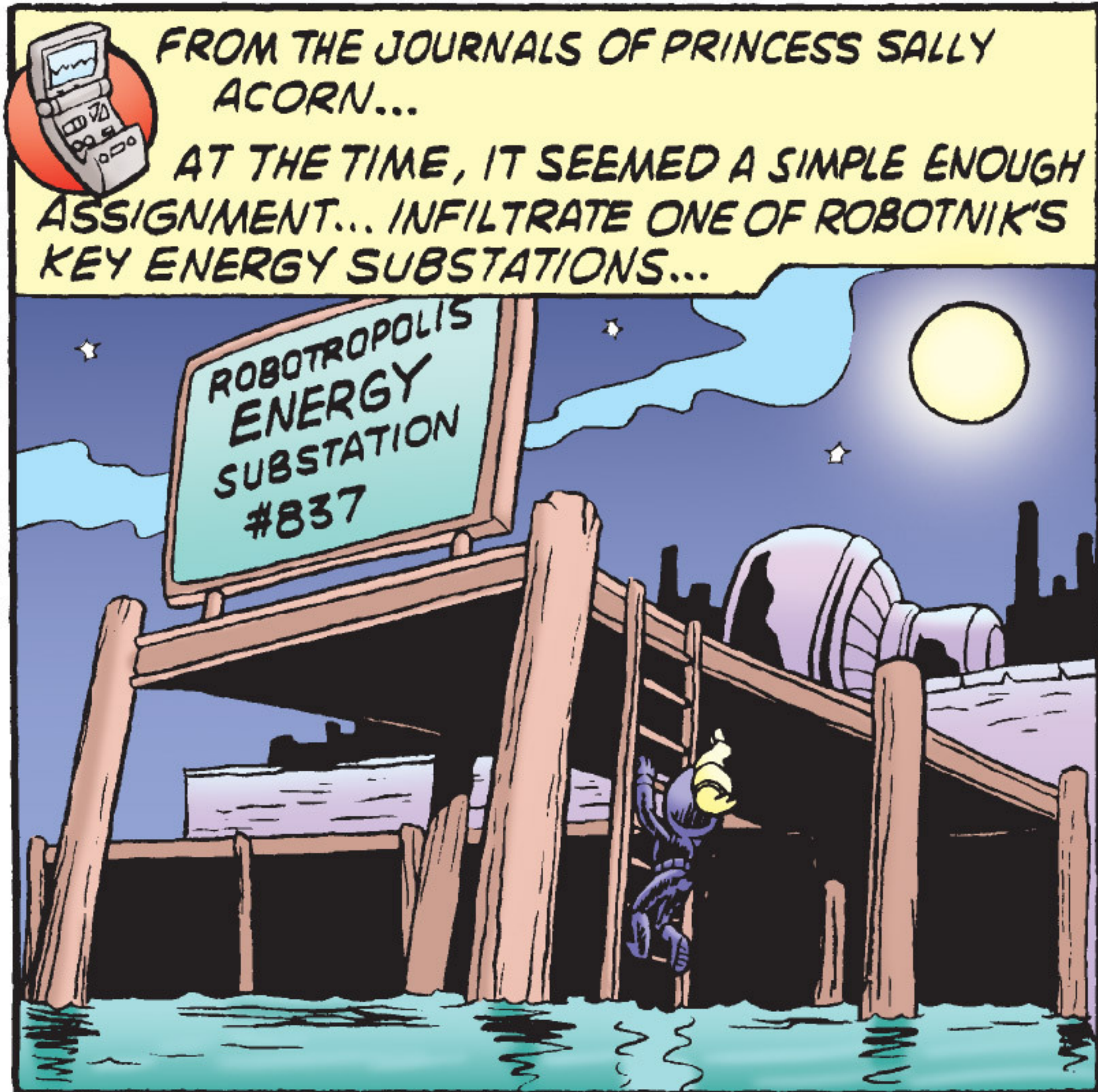
But where there is great loss, there is often found great hope. Among the youngest of the citizenry were its most courageous. Banding together as a group of **Freedom Fighters**, they struggle to one day regain what was once theirs.

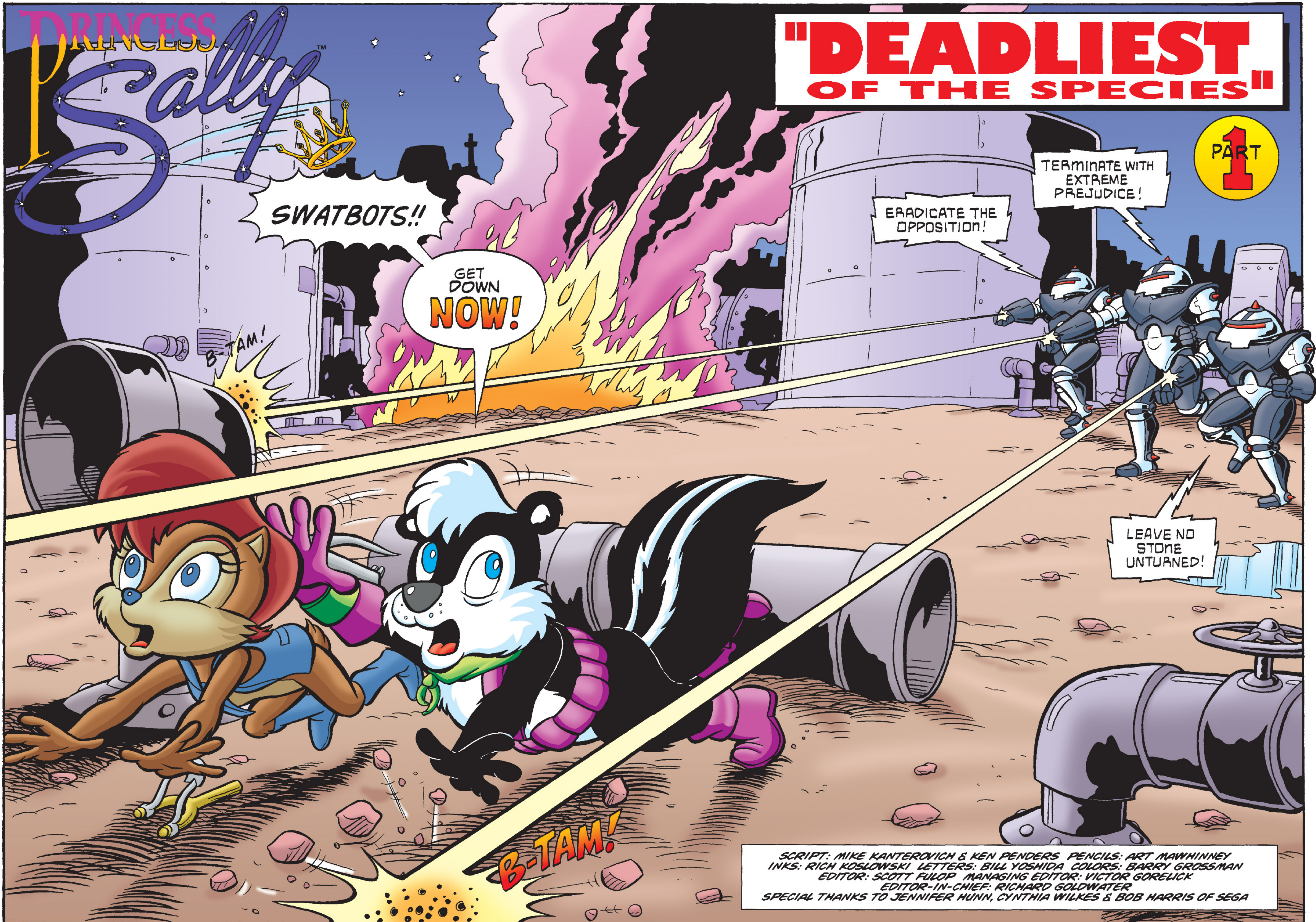


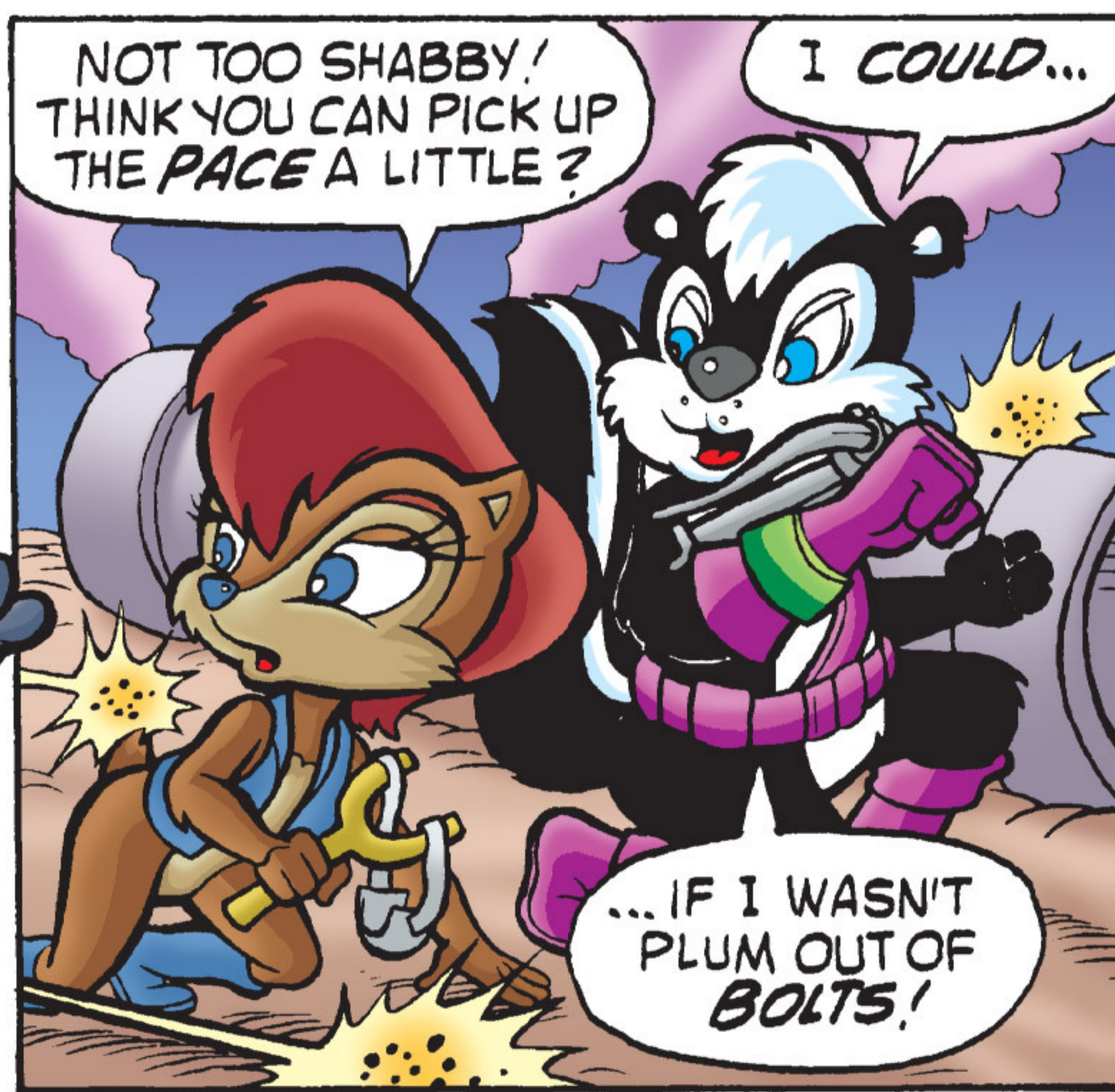
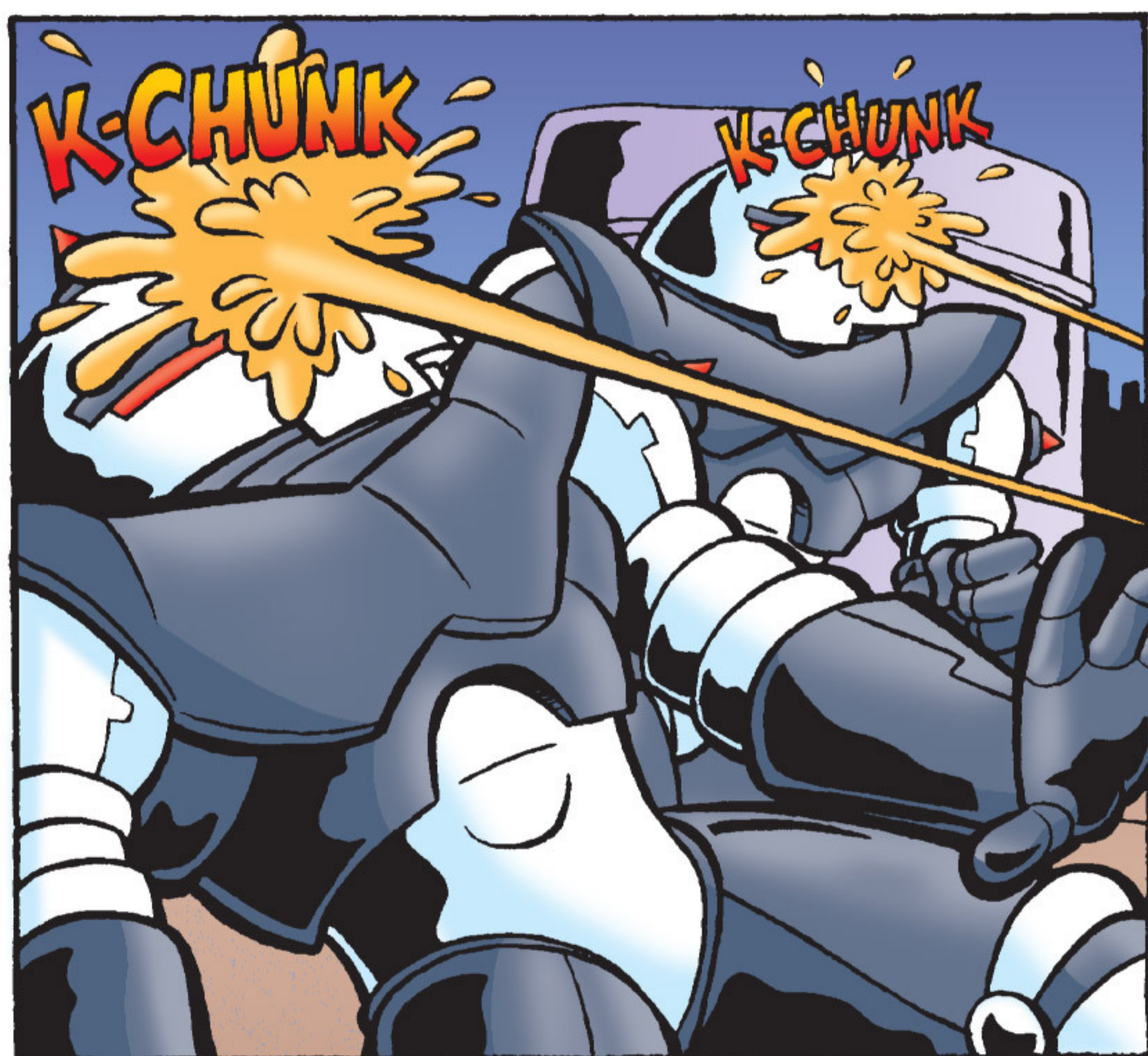
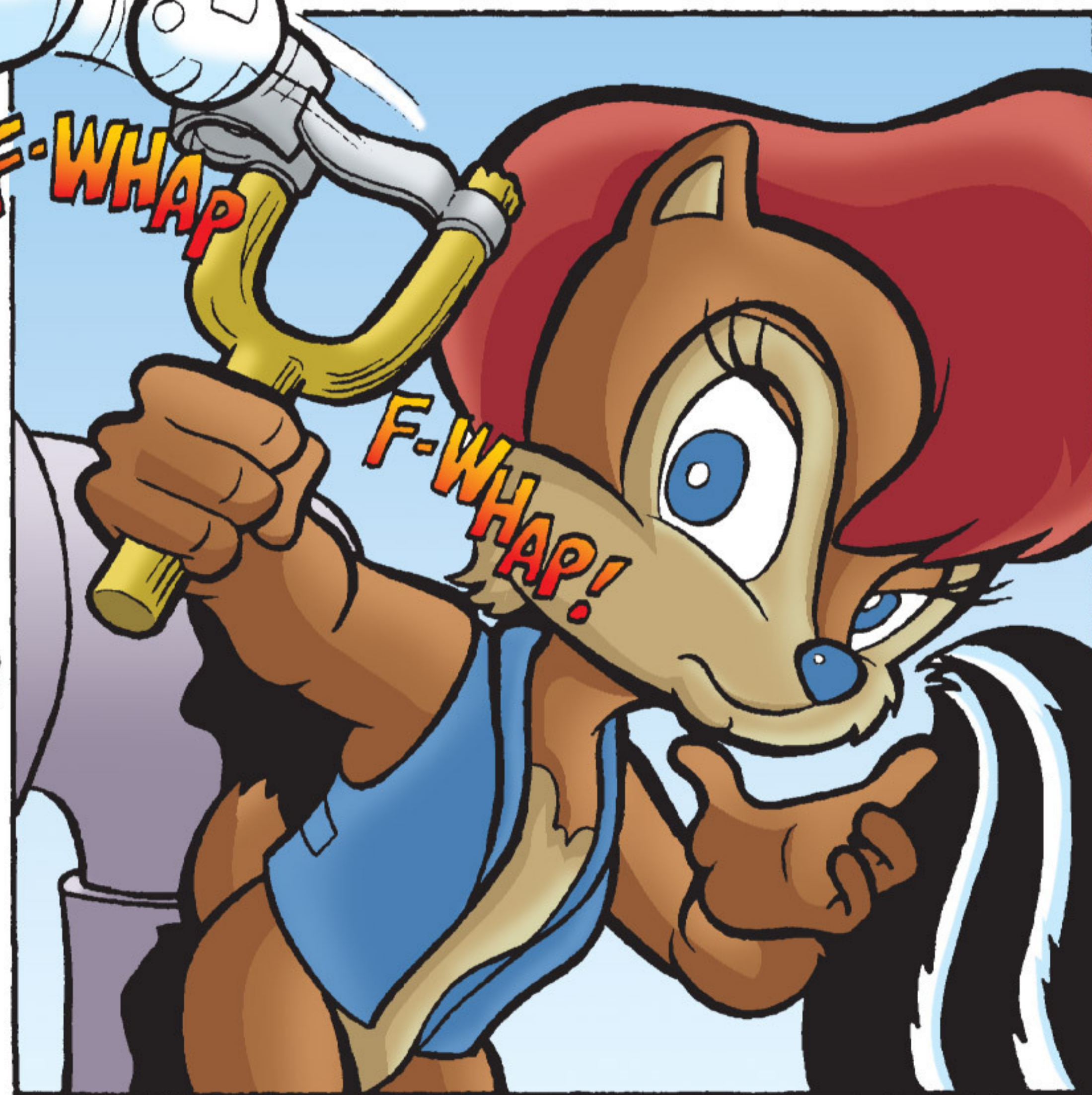
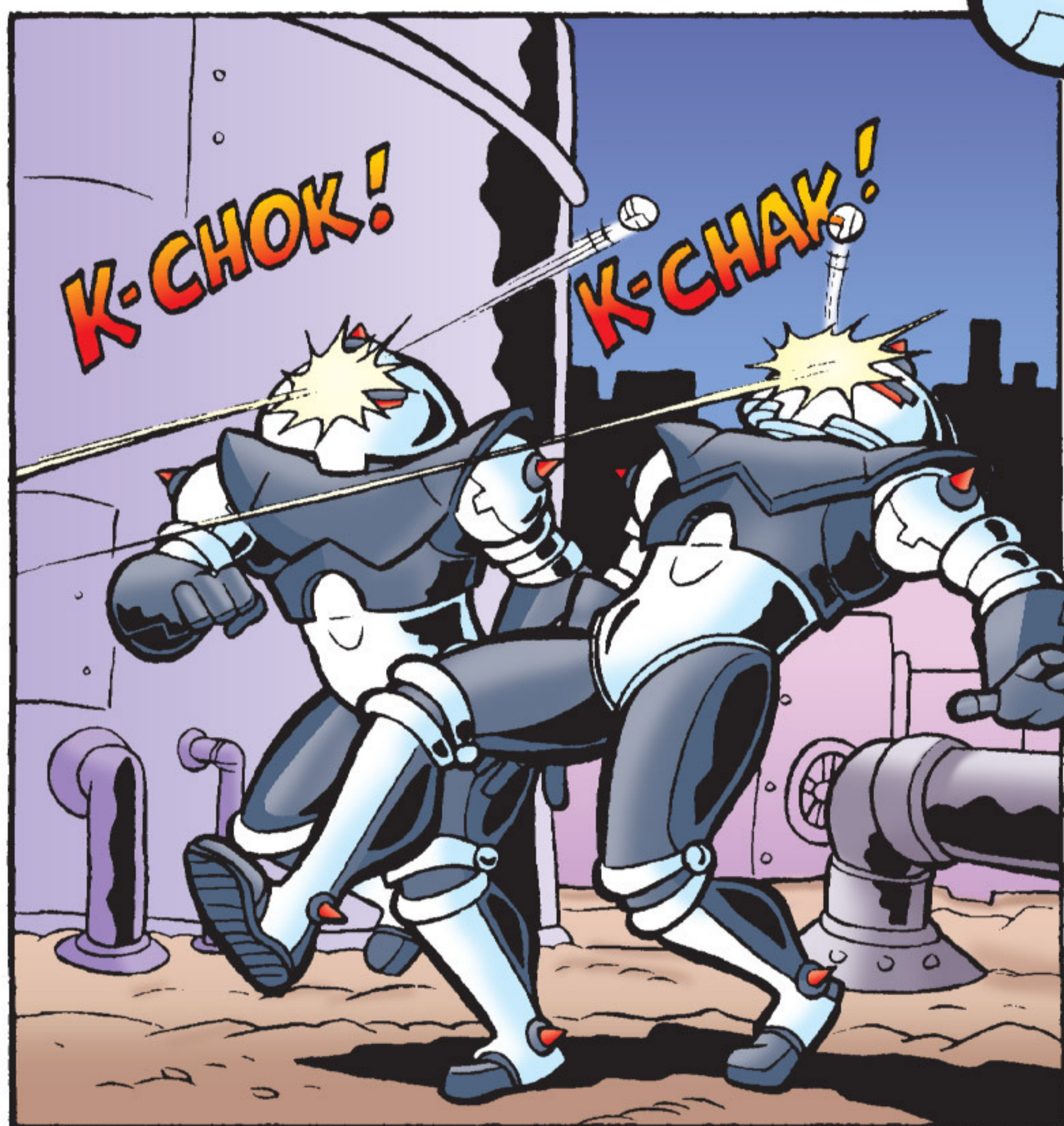
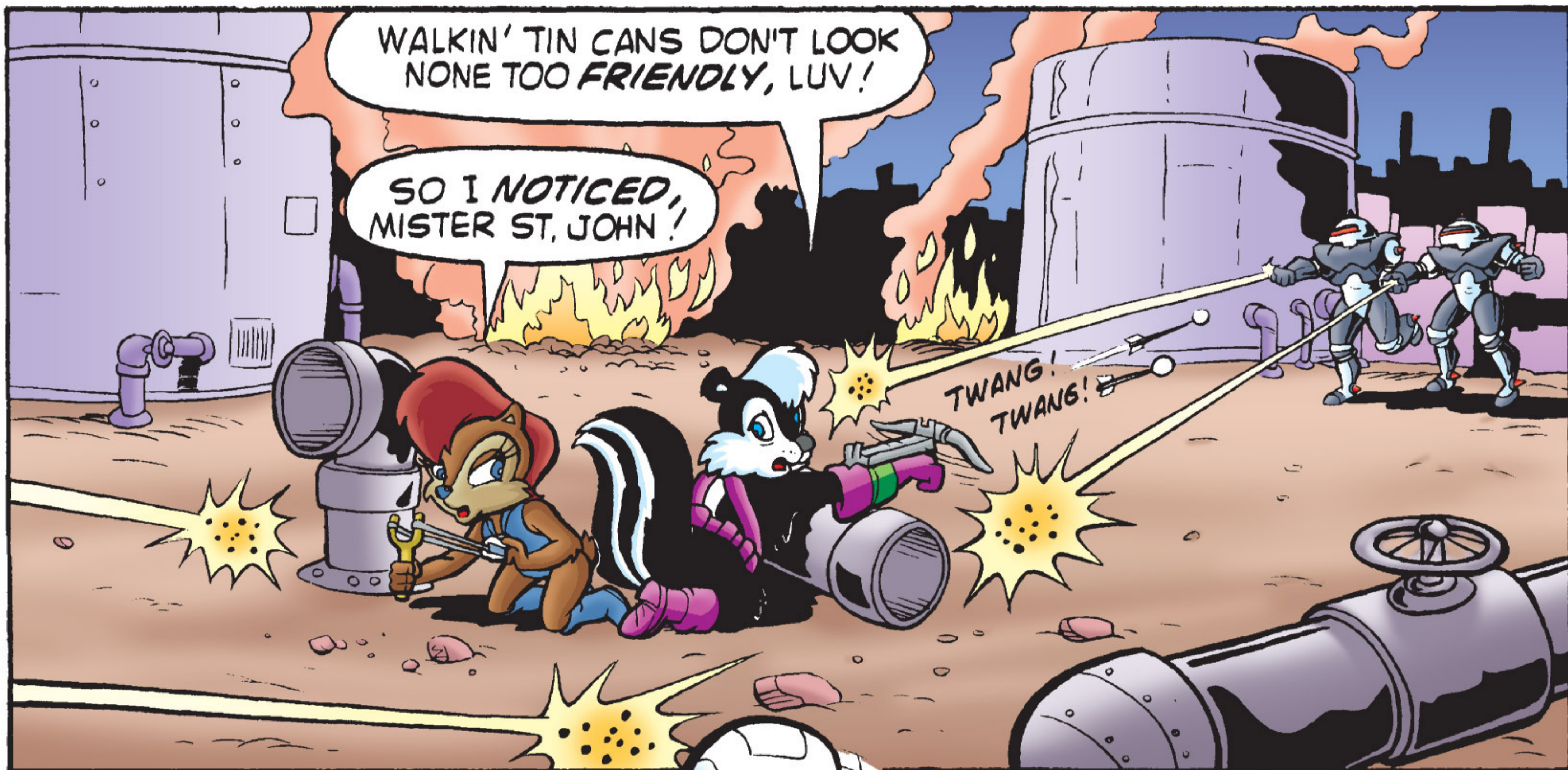
Among the greatest of the Freedom Fighters is **Sonic The Hedgehog**, the swiftest of them all, assisted by his loyal friend **Tails**. **Rotor** serves as the group's inventor and chief engineer. **Antoine** is renowned for his military skills. **Bunnie Rabbot** makes great use of her robotic limbs. Led by the courageous and resourceful **Princess Sally**, they form the spearhead of the **Rebel Alliance**.

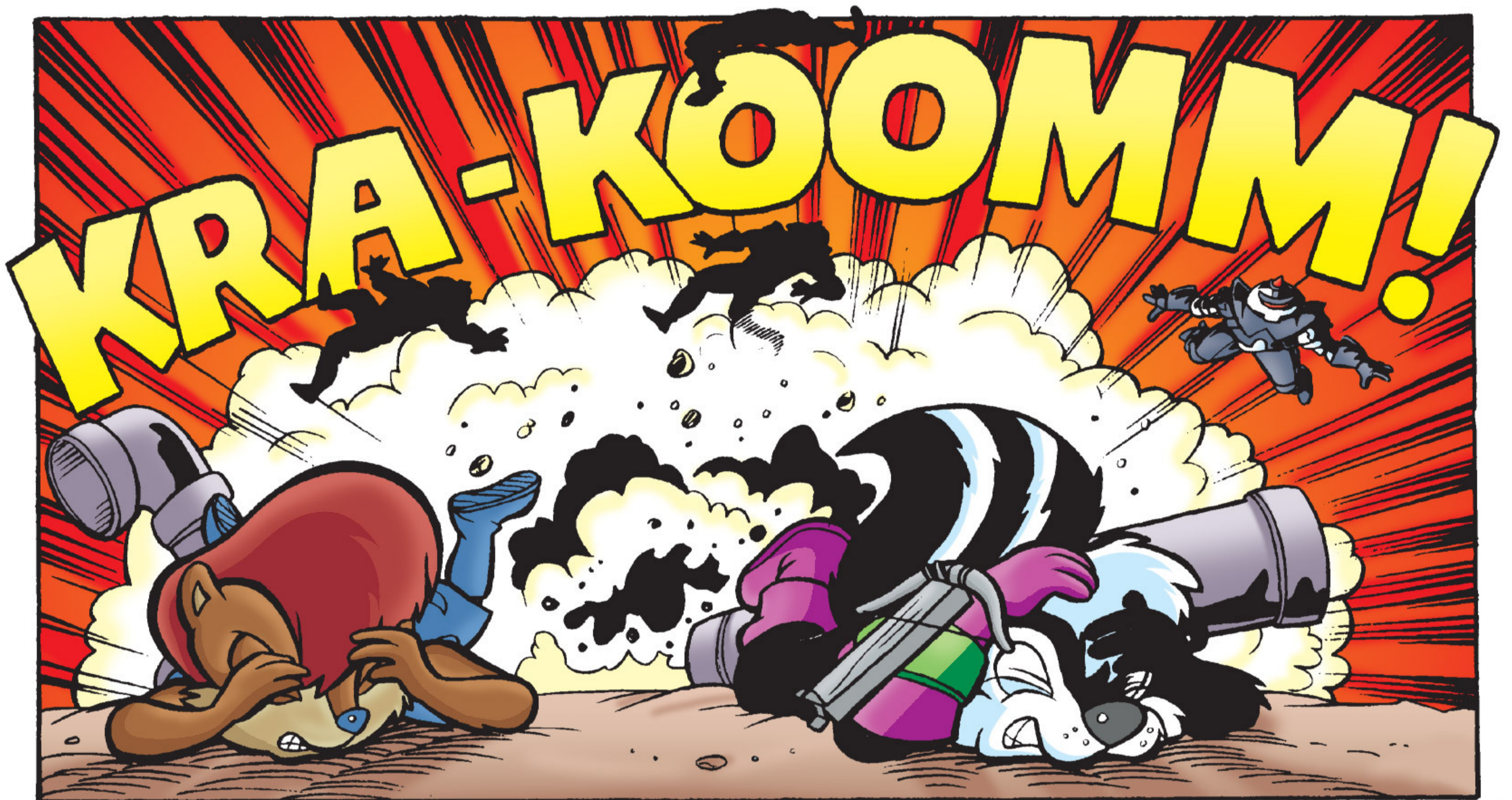
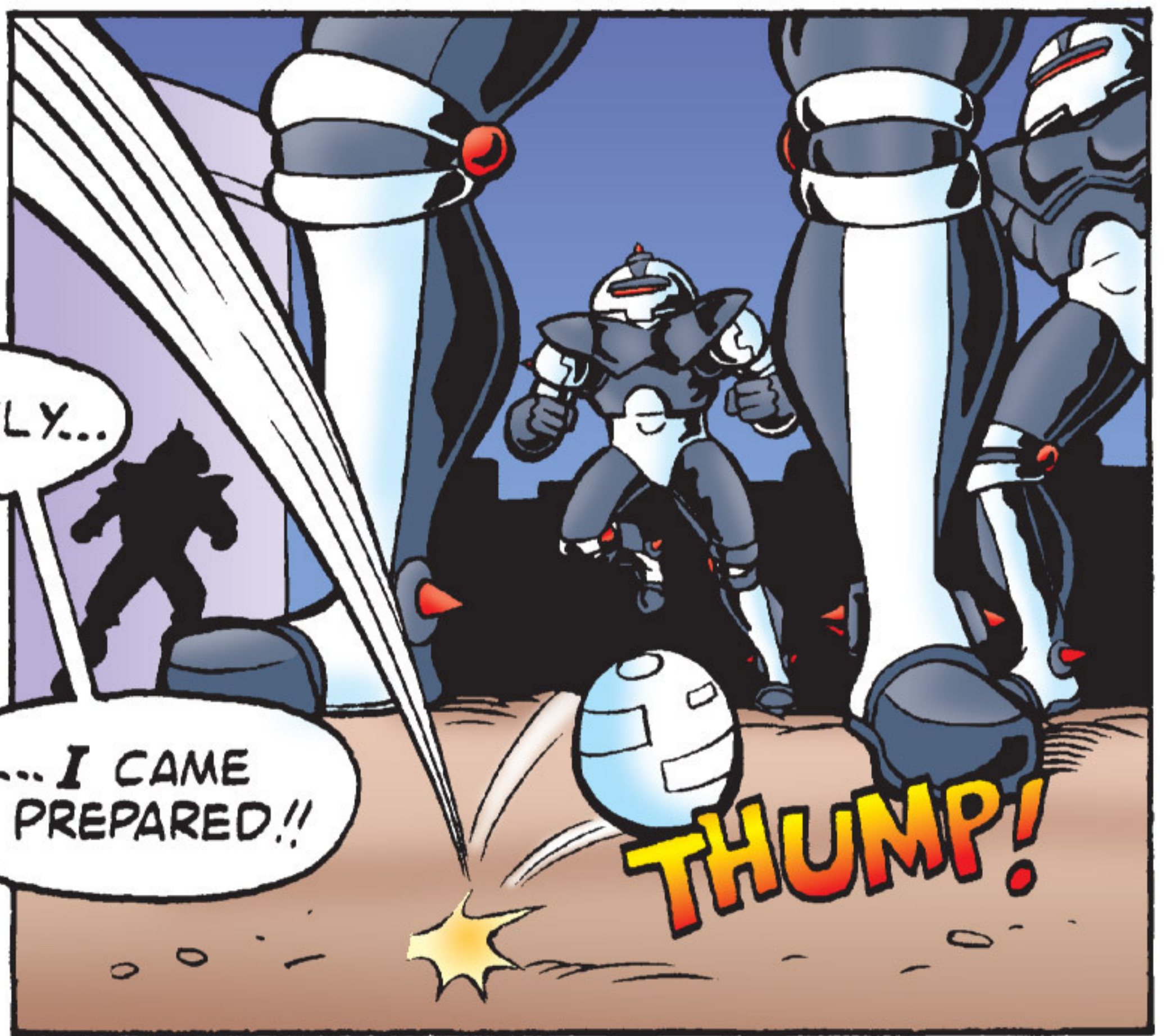
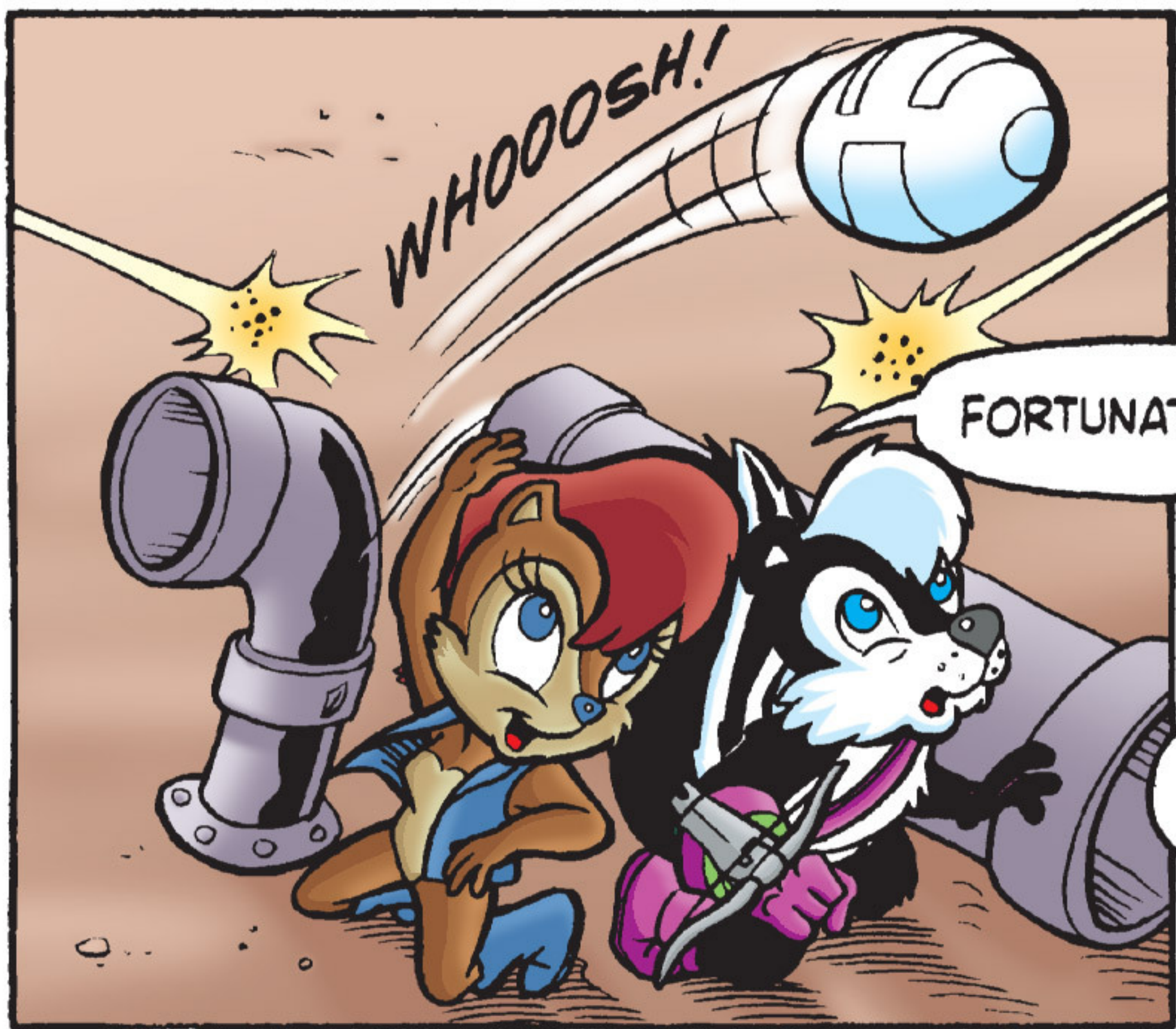
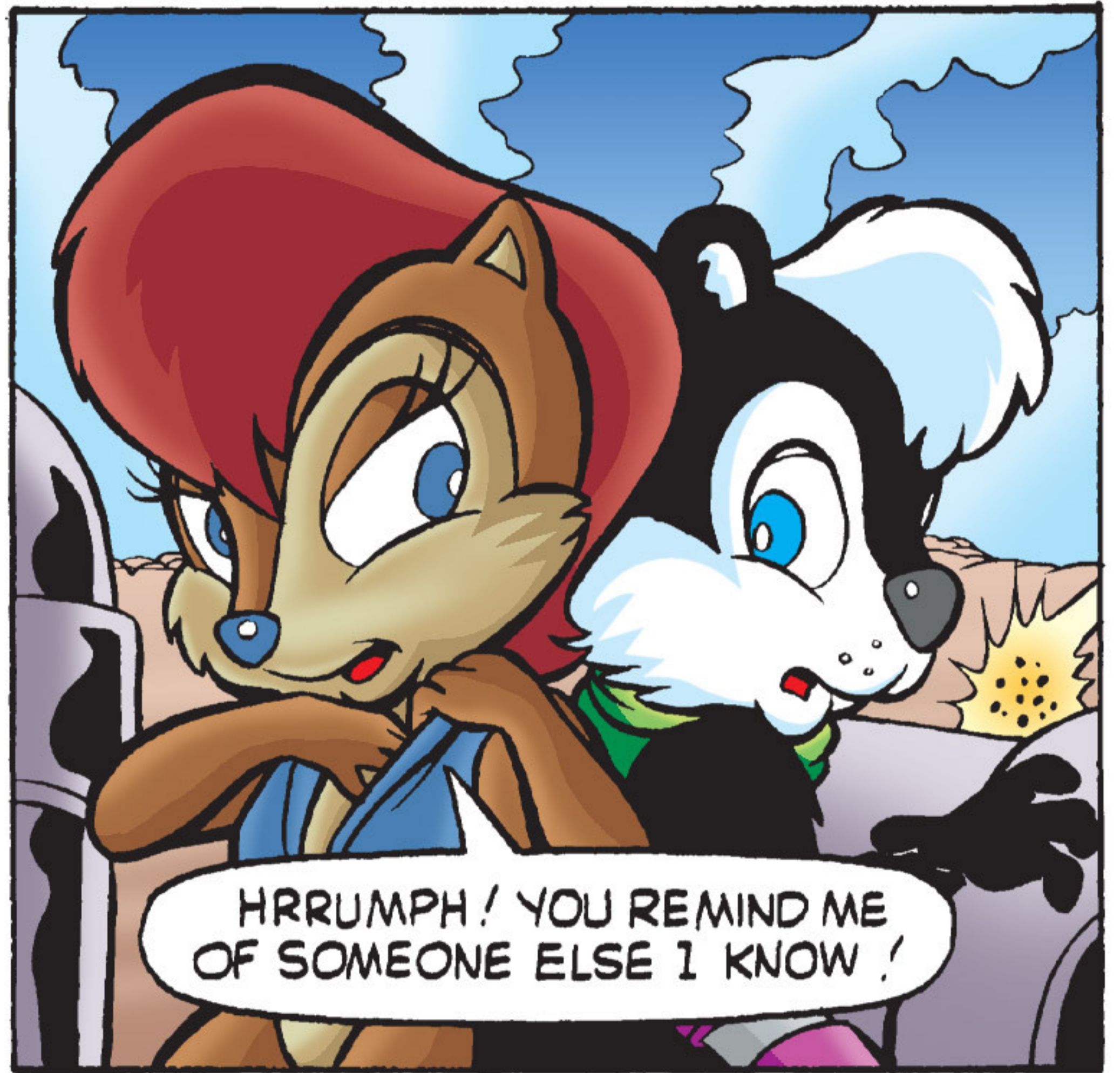
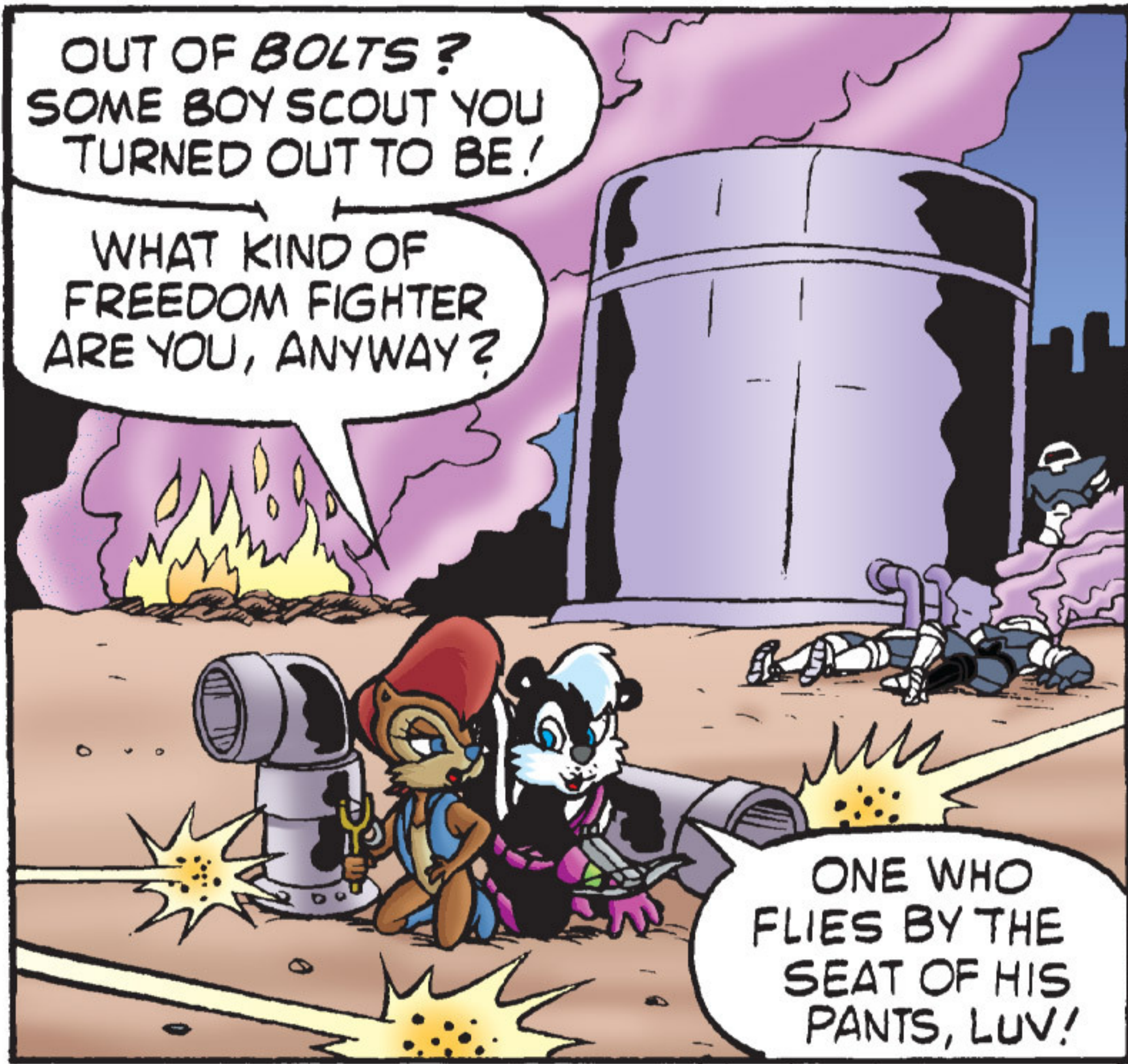


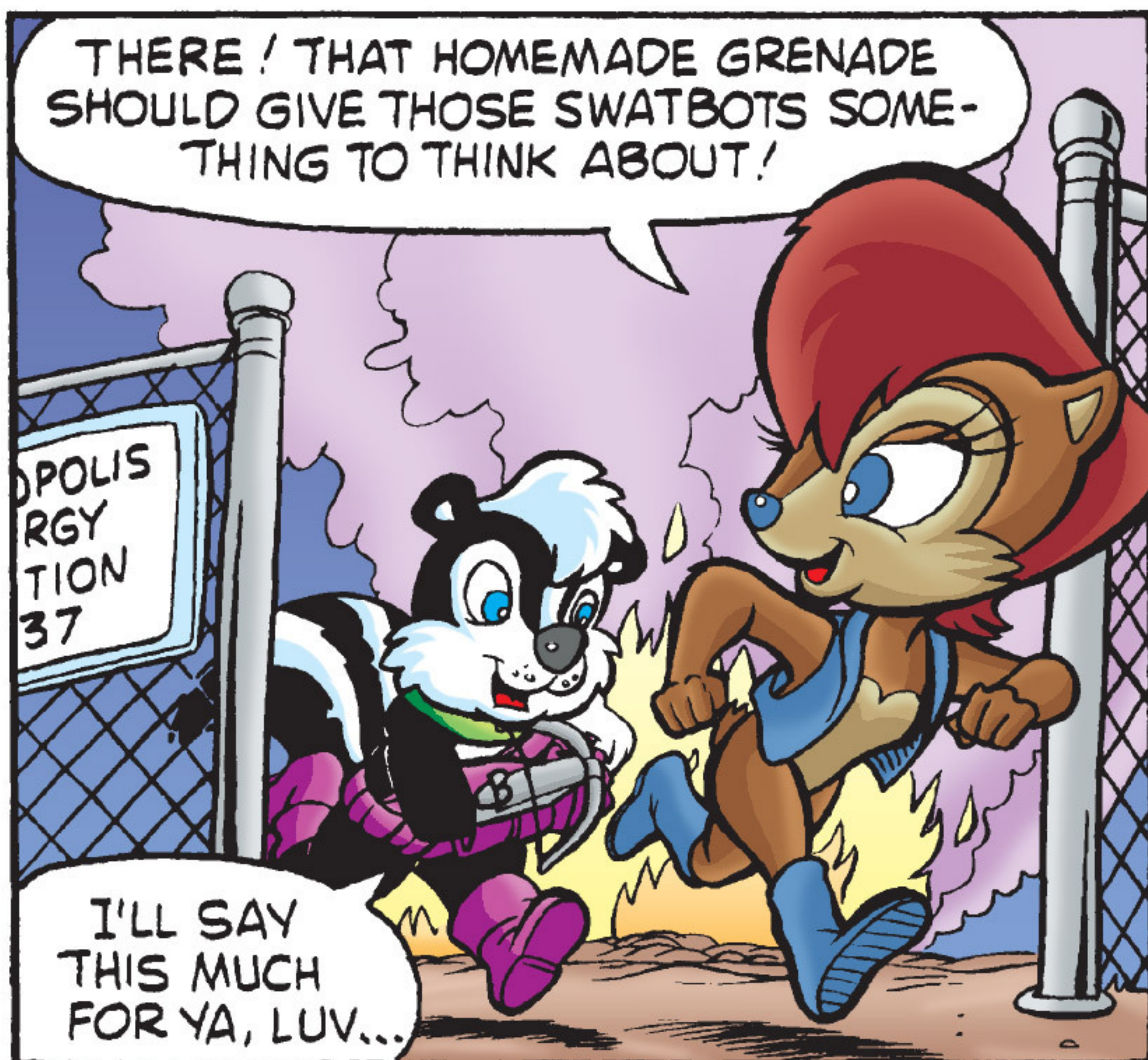
As Robotnik's forces grow in size and strength, Princess Sally knows the Freedom Fighters must do the same. And so, she begins to recruit the next generation of Freedom Fighters.... ✕











THERE ! THAT HOMEMADE GRENADE SHOULD GIVE THOSE SWATBOTS SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT!

I'LL SAY THIS MUCH FOR YA, LUV...



YOU'VE GOT STYLE!

SAVE THE COMPLIMENTS FOR LATER, MR. ST. JOHN...



"... AT LEAST UNTIL AFTER WE'VE LINKED UP WITH THE REST OF MY UNIT!"

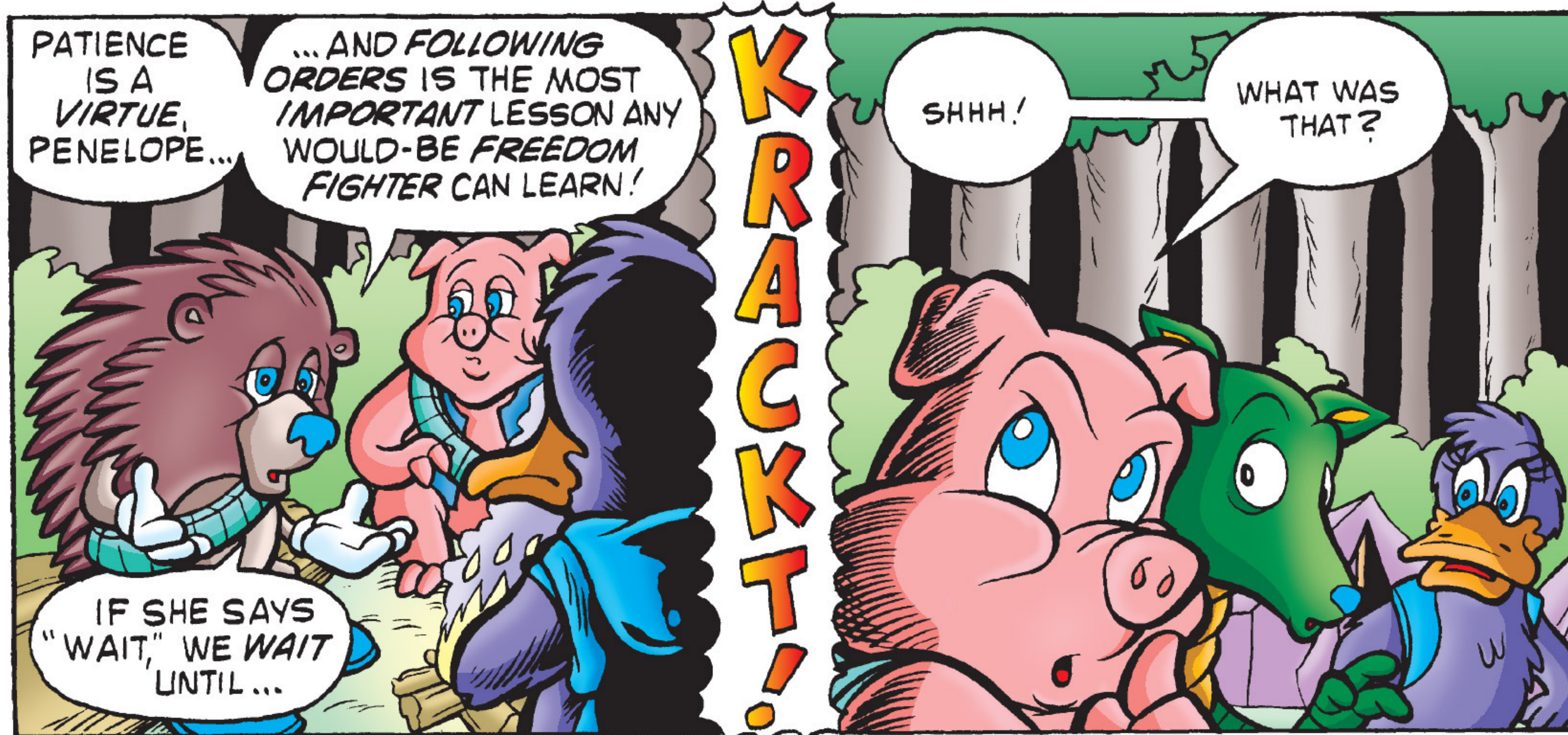
THE PRINCESS SURE IS TAKING HER OWN SWEET TIME ! MAYBE SHE RAN INTO SOMETHING SHE COULDN'T HANDLE!

THERE'S NOTHING *SHE* CAN'T HANDLE , HAMLIN-- SHE'S A TRAINED PROFESSIONAL!

I JUST WISH WE COULD HAVE GONE WITH HER!

YOU SAID IT YOURSELF, ARLO-- SHE'S A PROFESSIONAL ! WE'RE ONLY TRAINEES!

BUT HOW ARE WE SUPPOSED TO LEARN ANYTHING BY WATCHING AND WAITING?



PATIENCE IS A VIRTUE, PENELOPE...

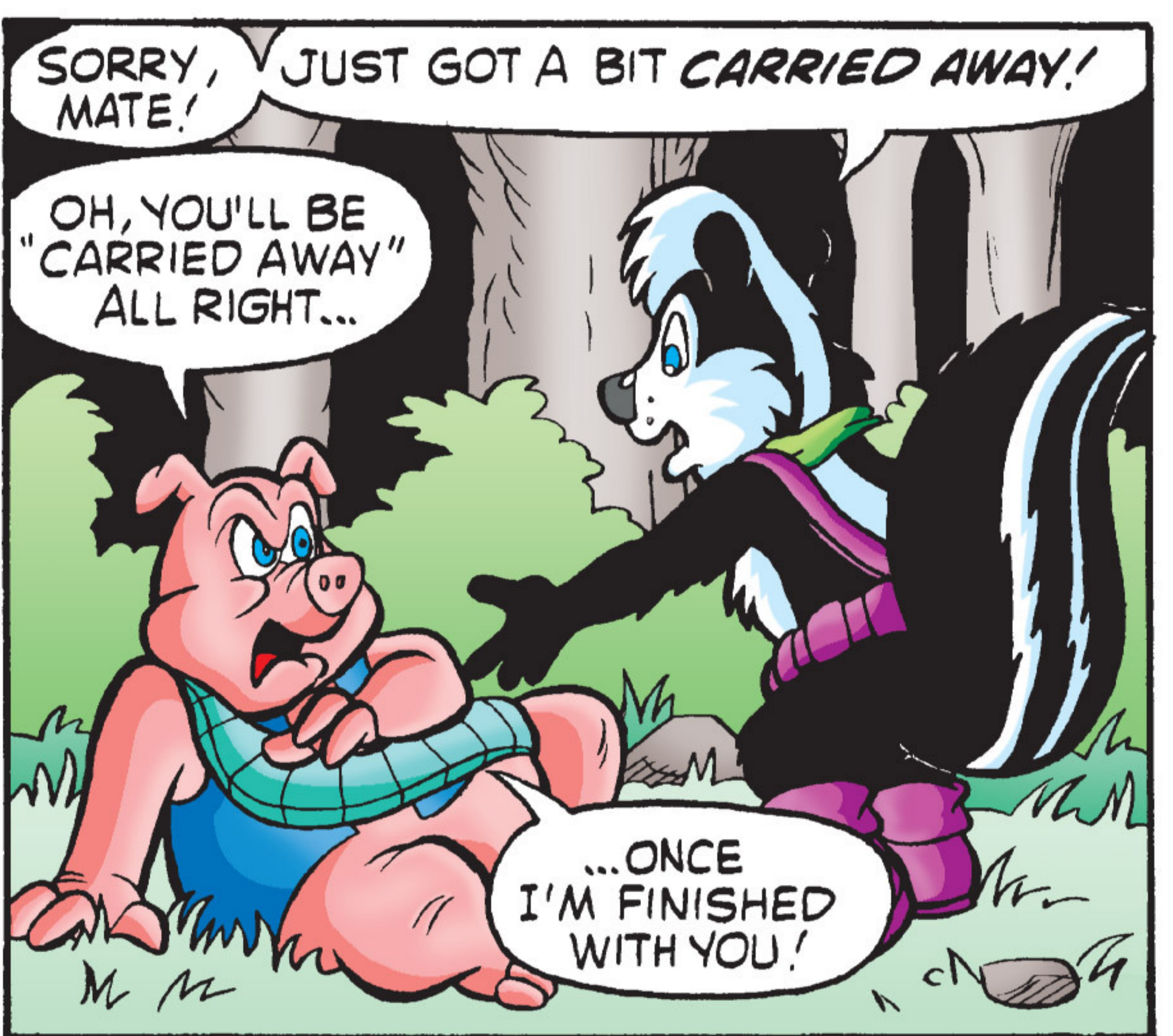
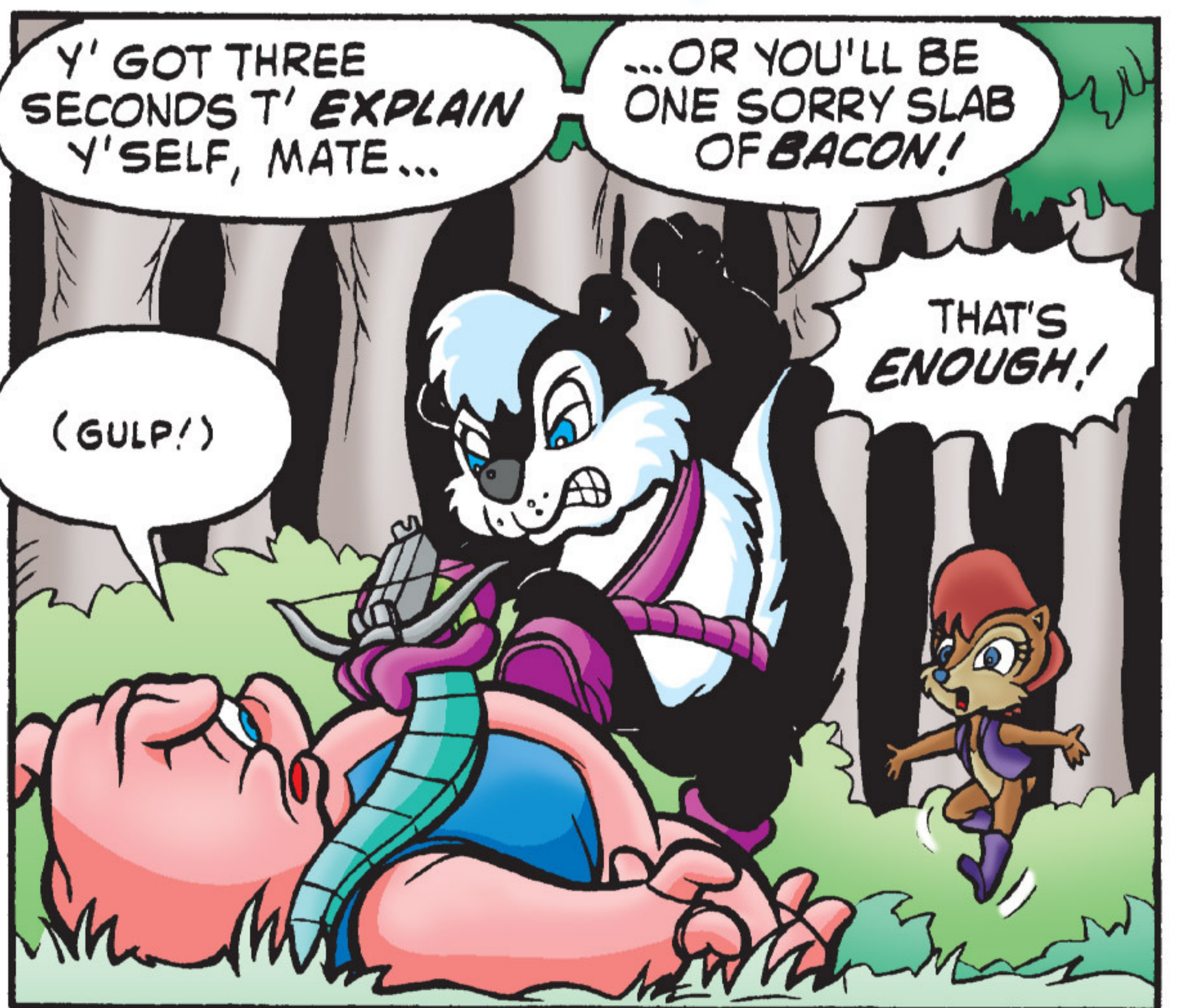
... AND FOLLOWING ORDERS IS THE MOST IMPORTANT LESSON ANY WOULD-BE FREEDOM FIGHTER CAN LEARN!

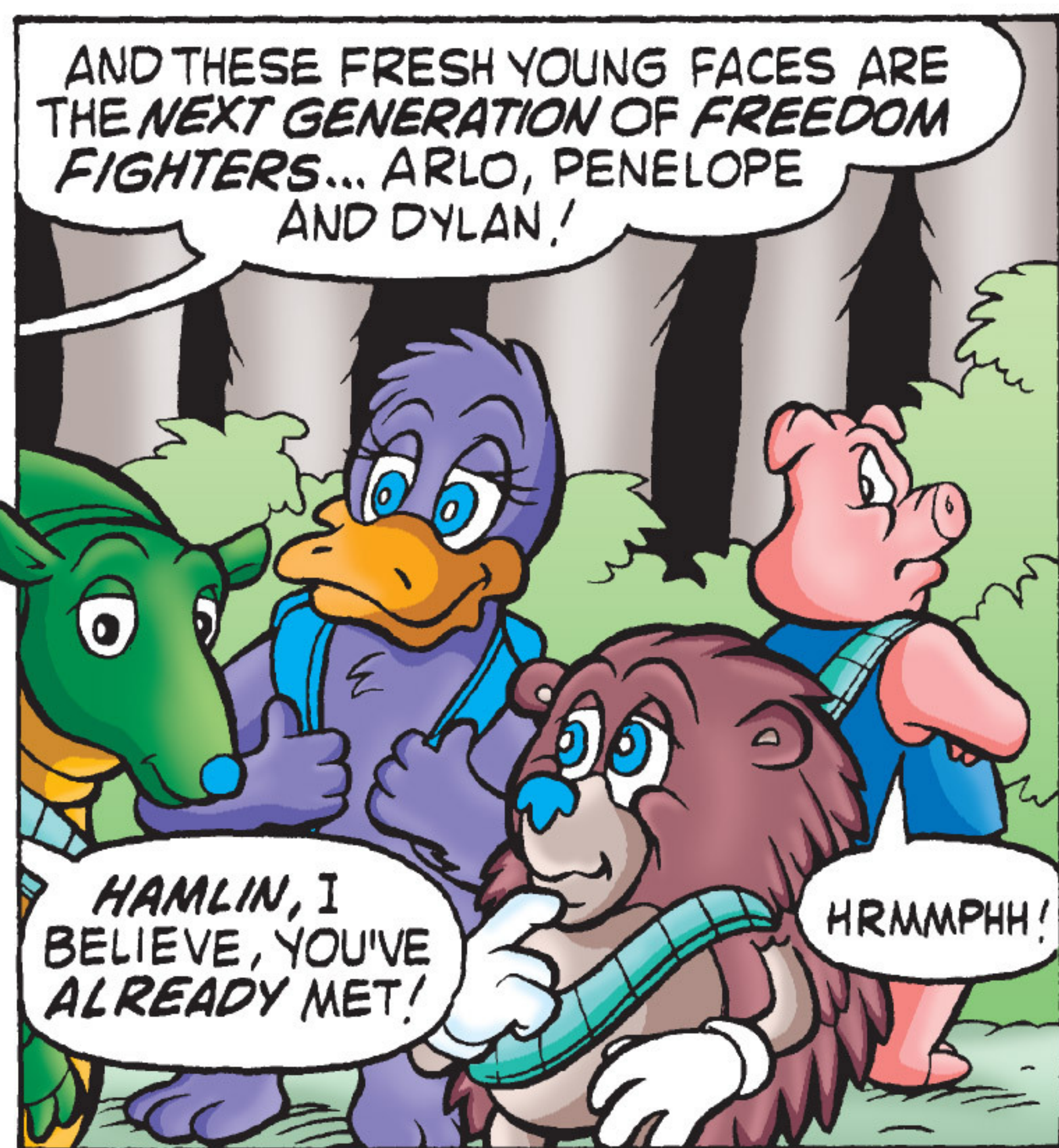
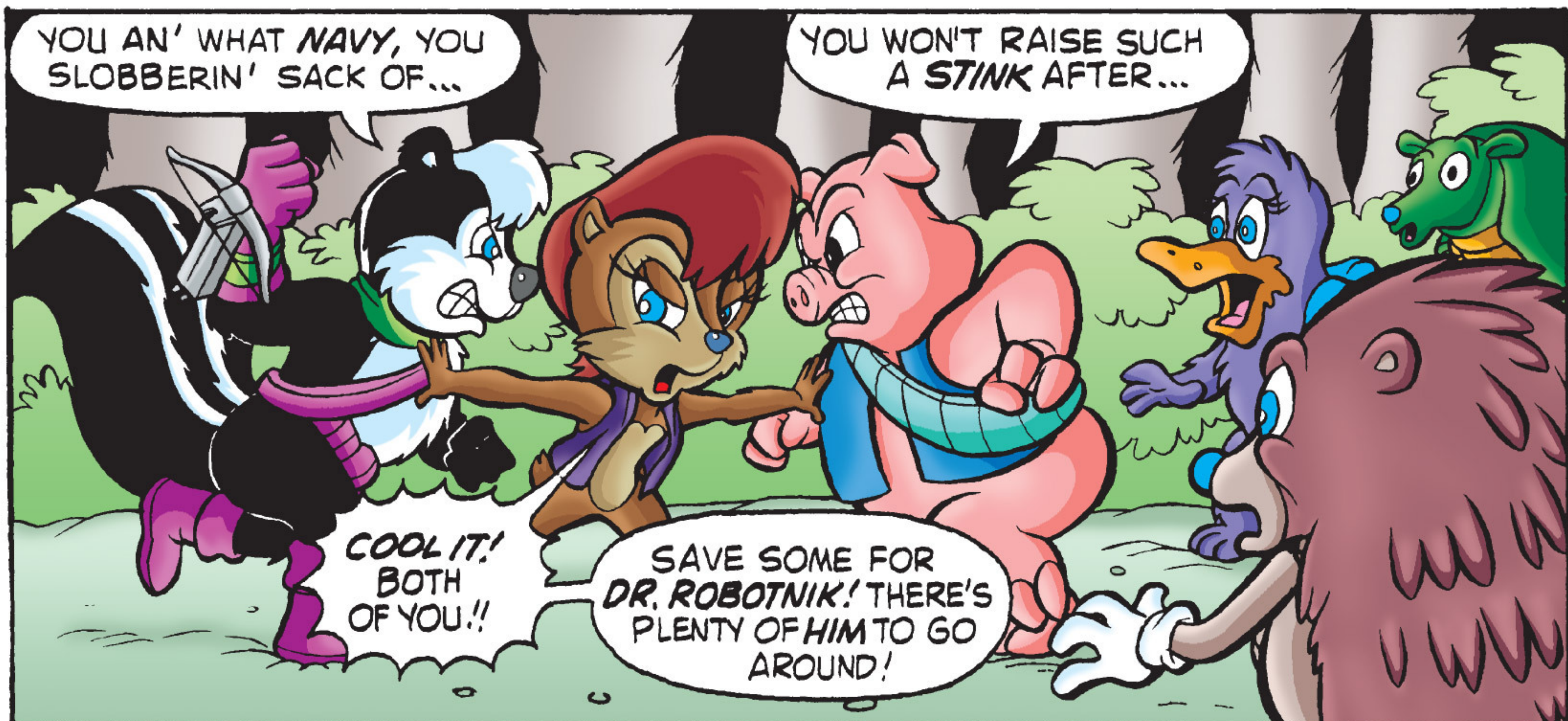
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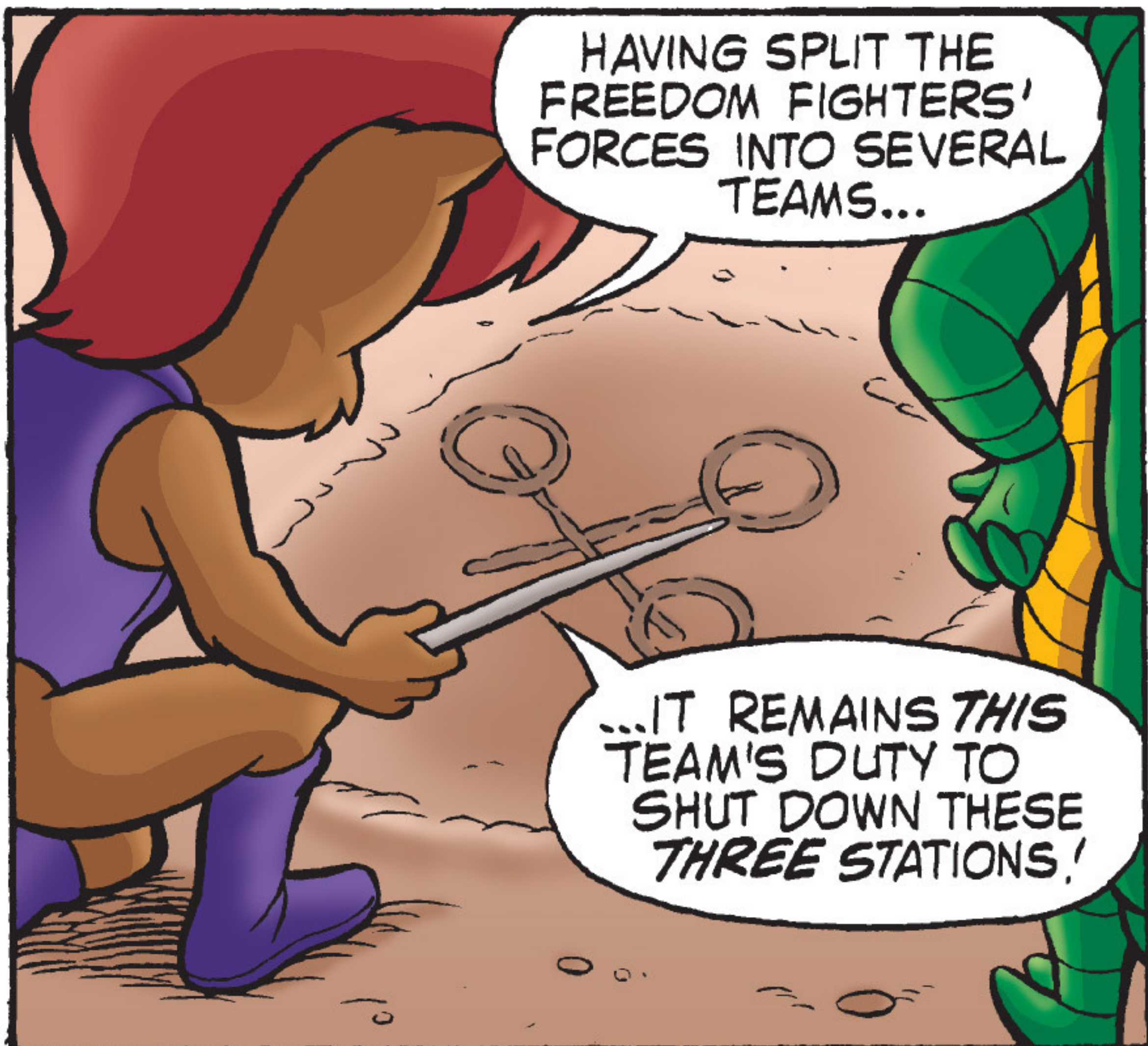
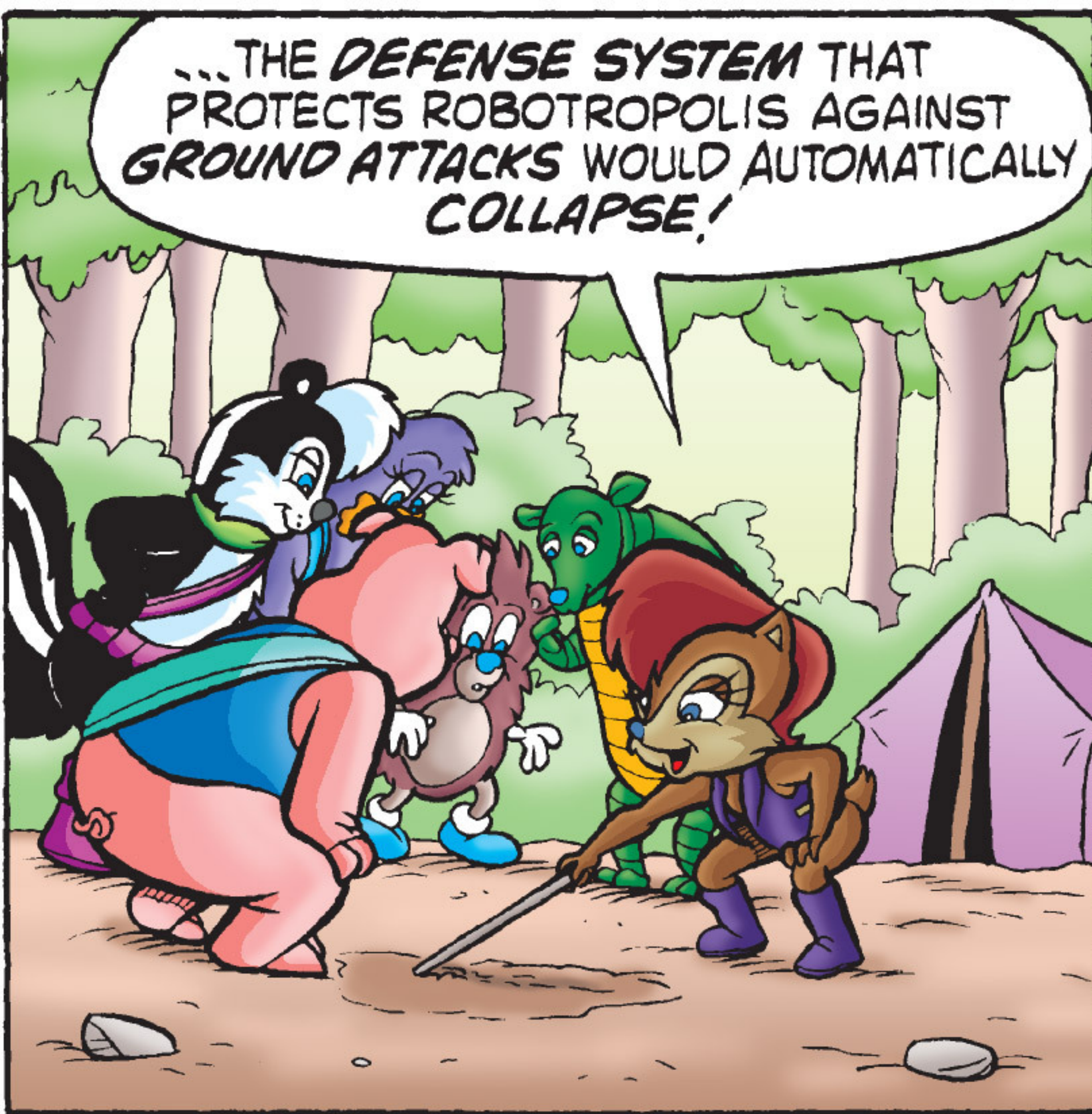
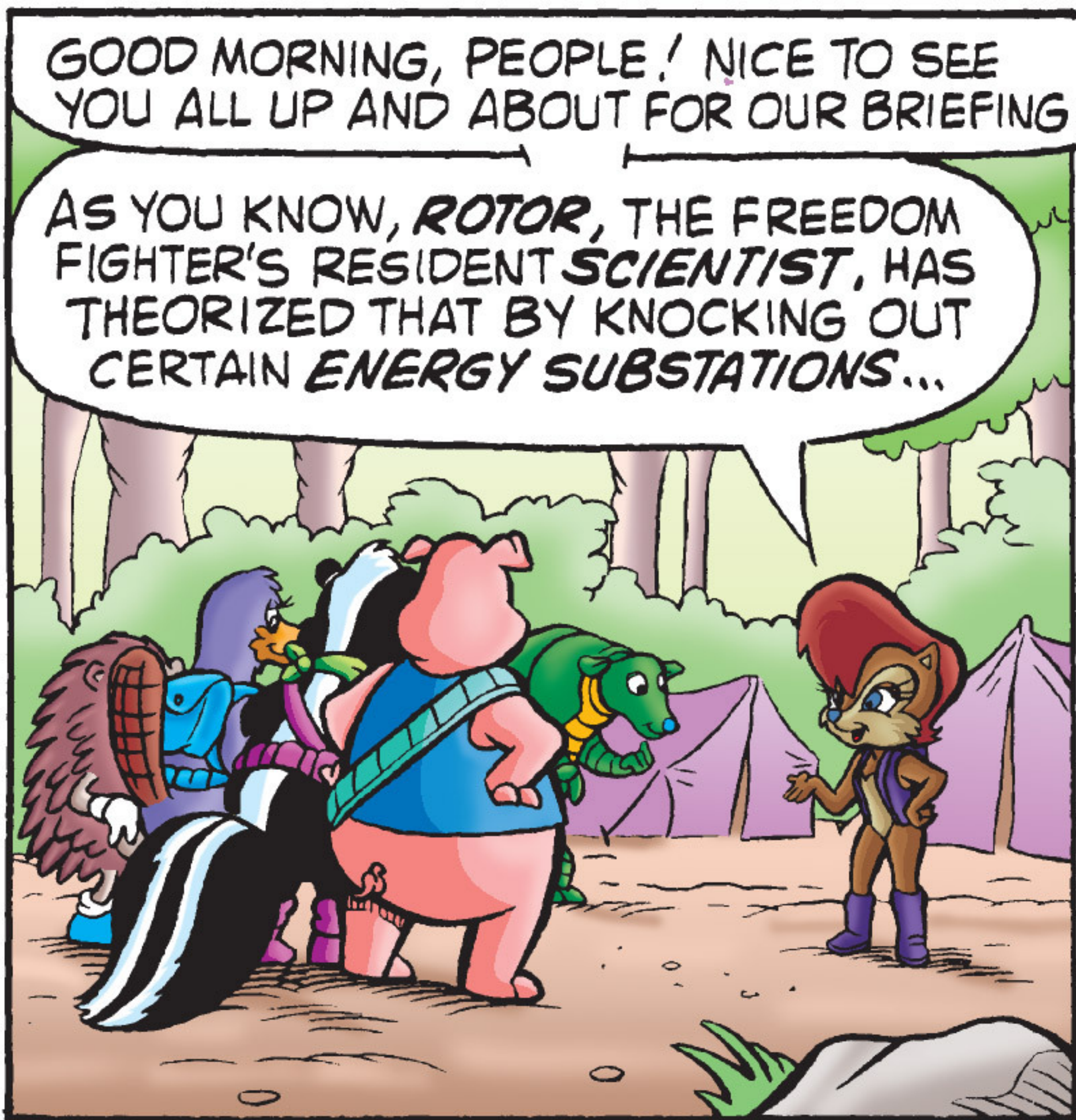
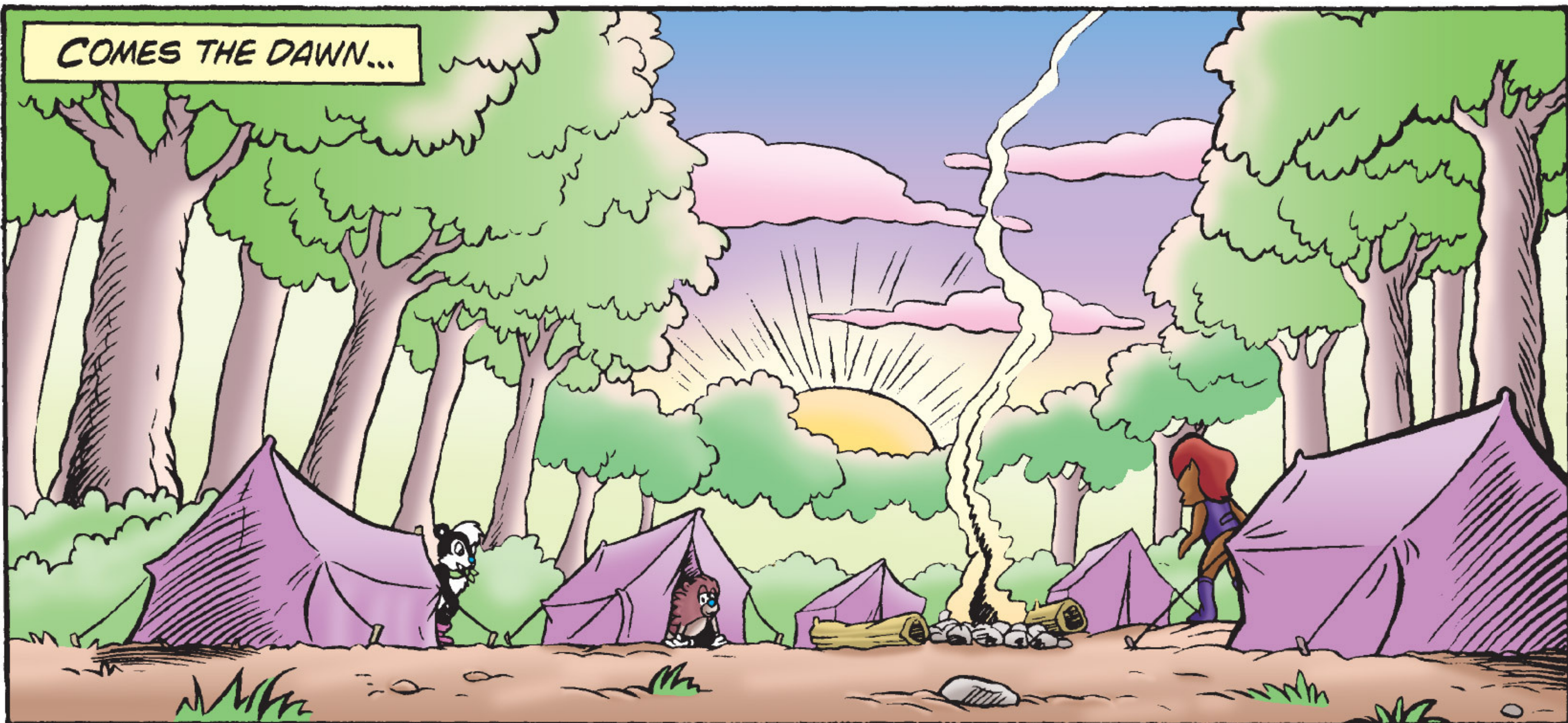
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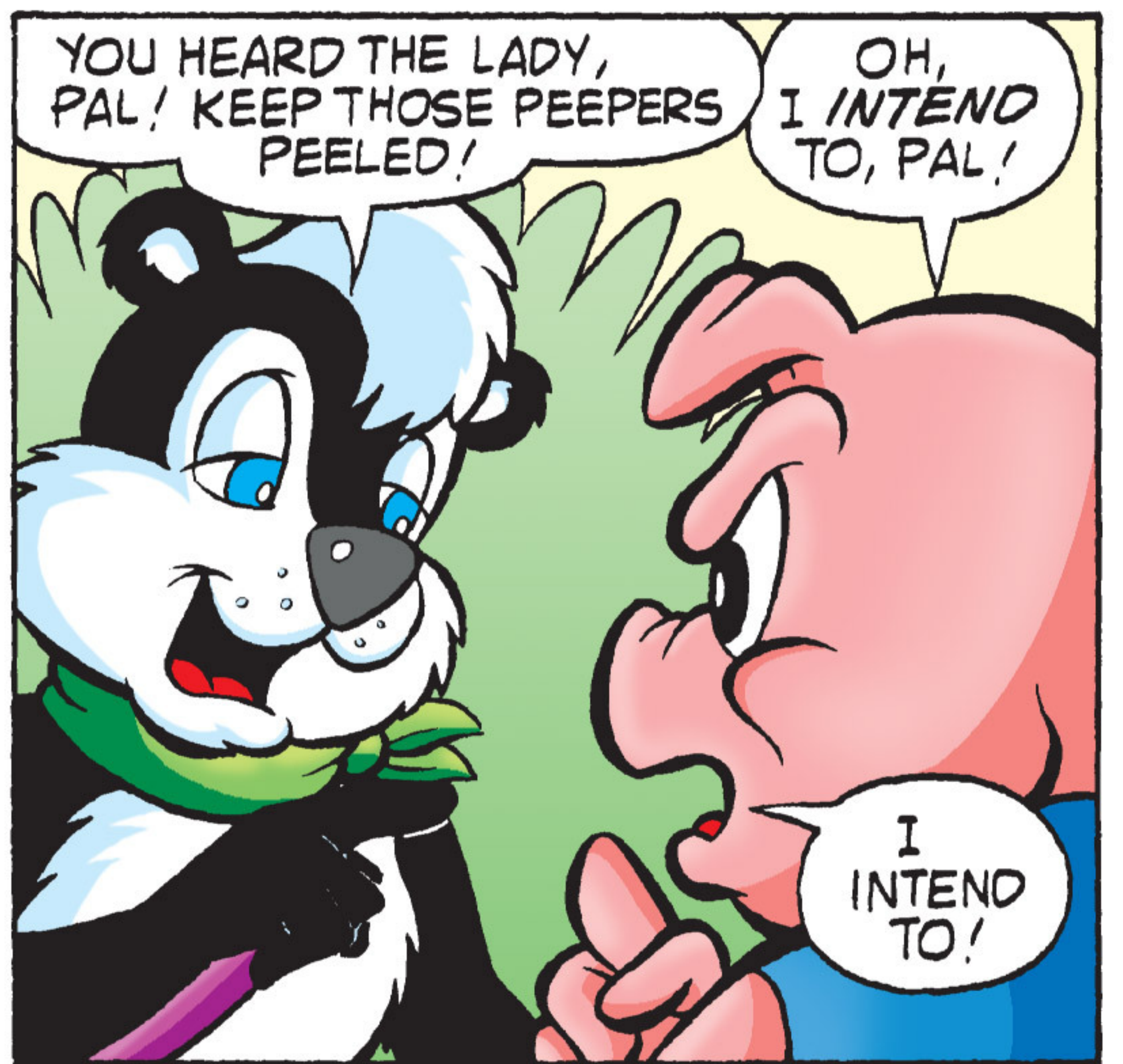
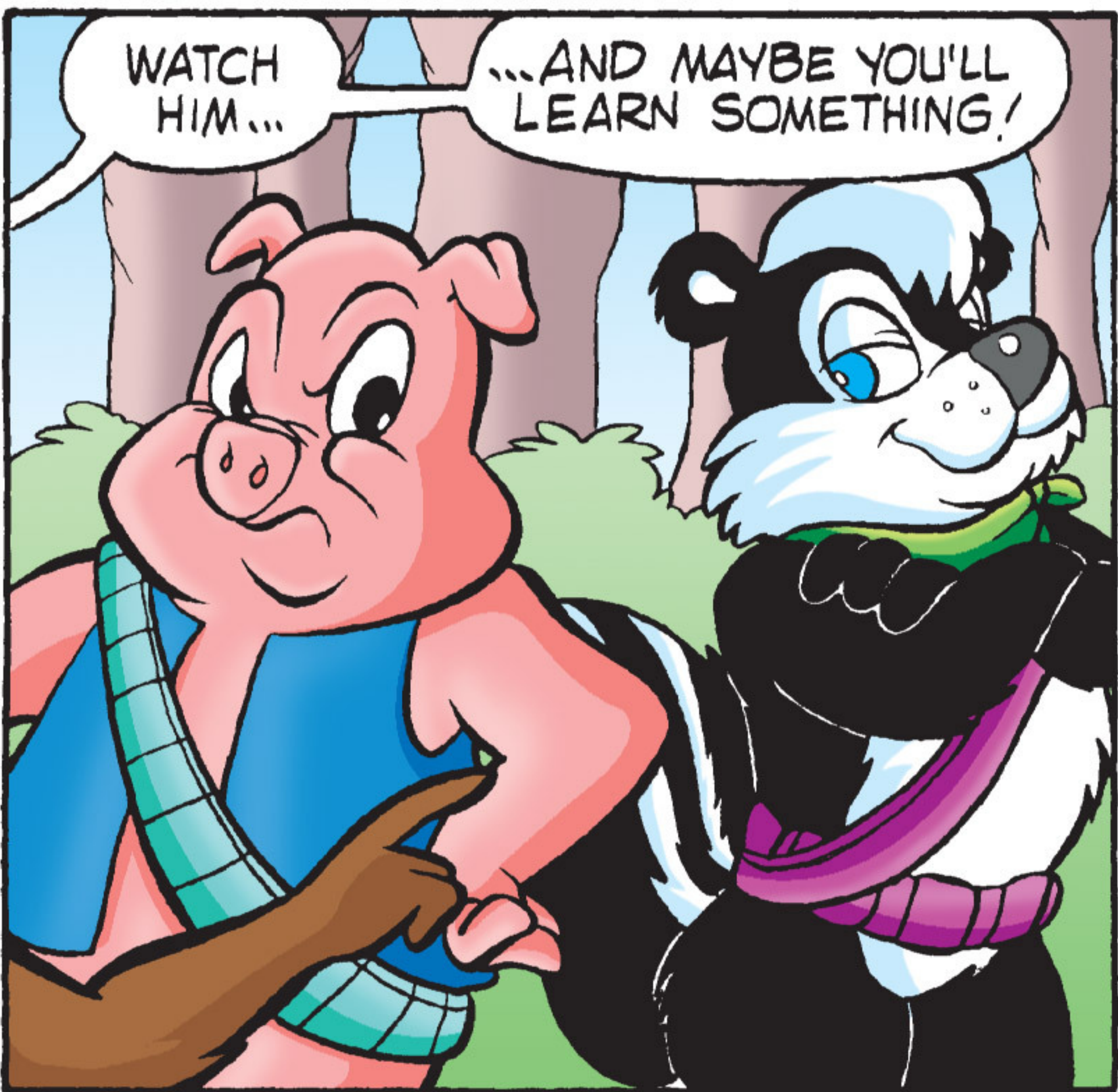
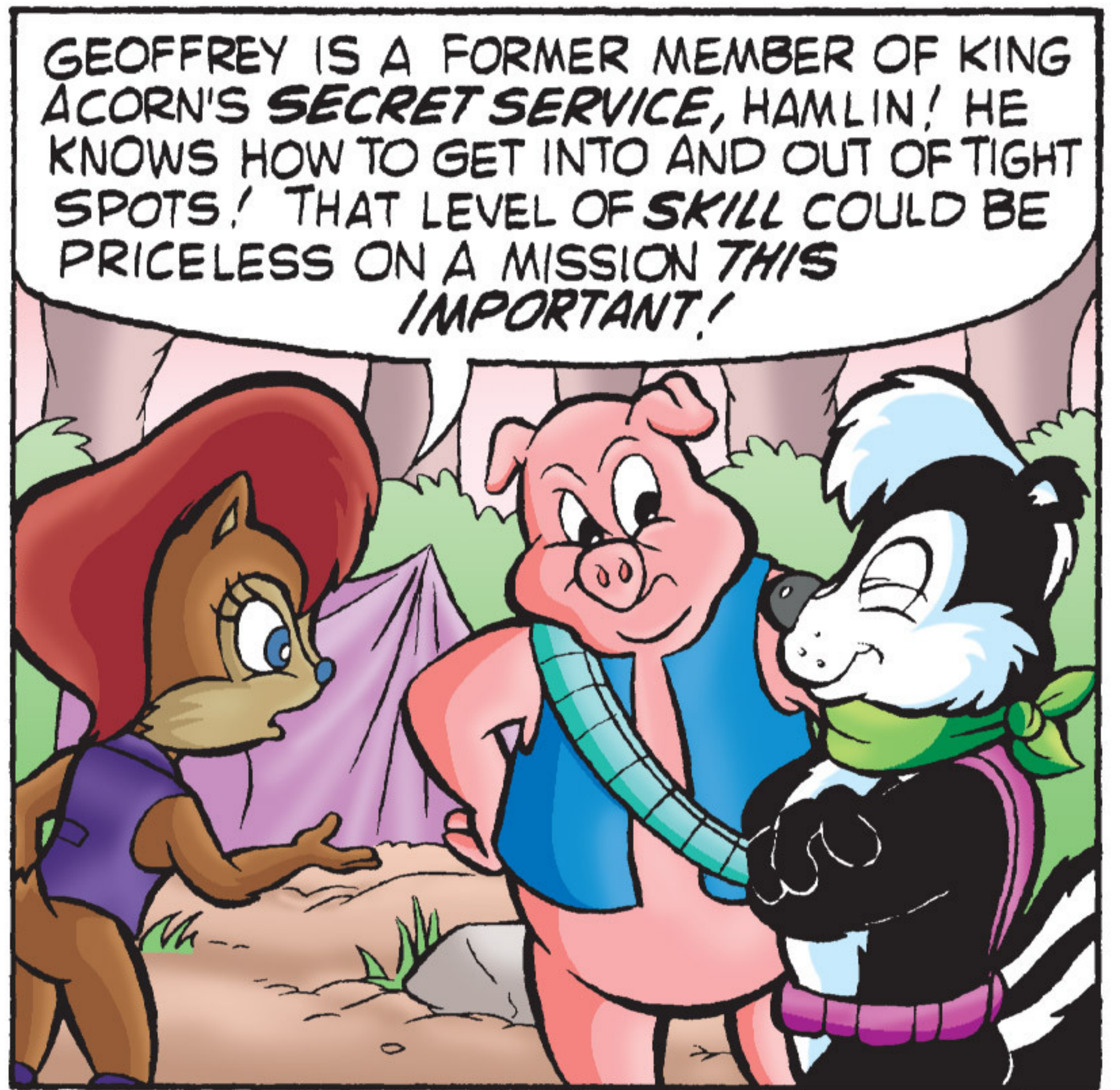
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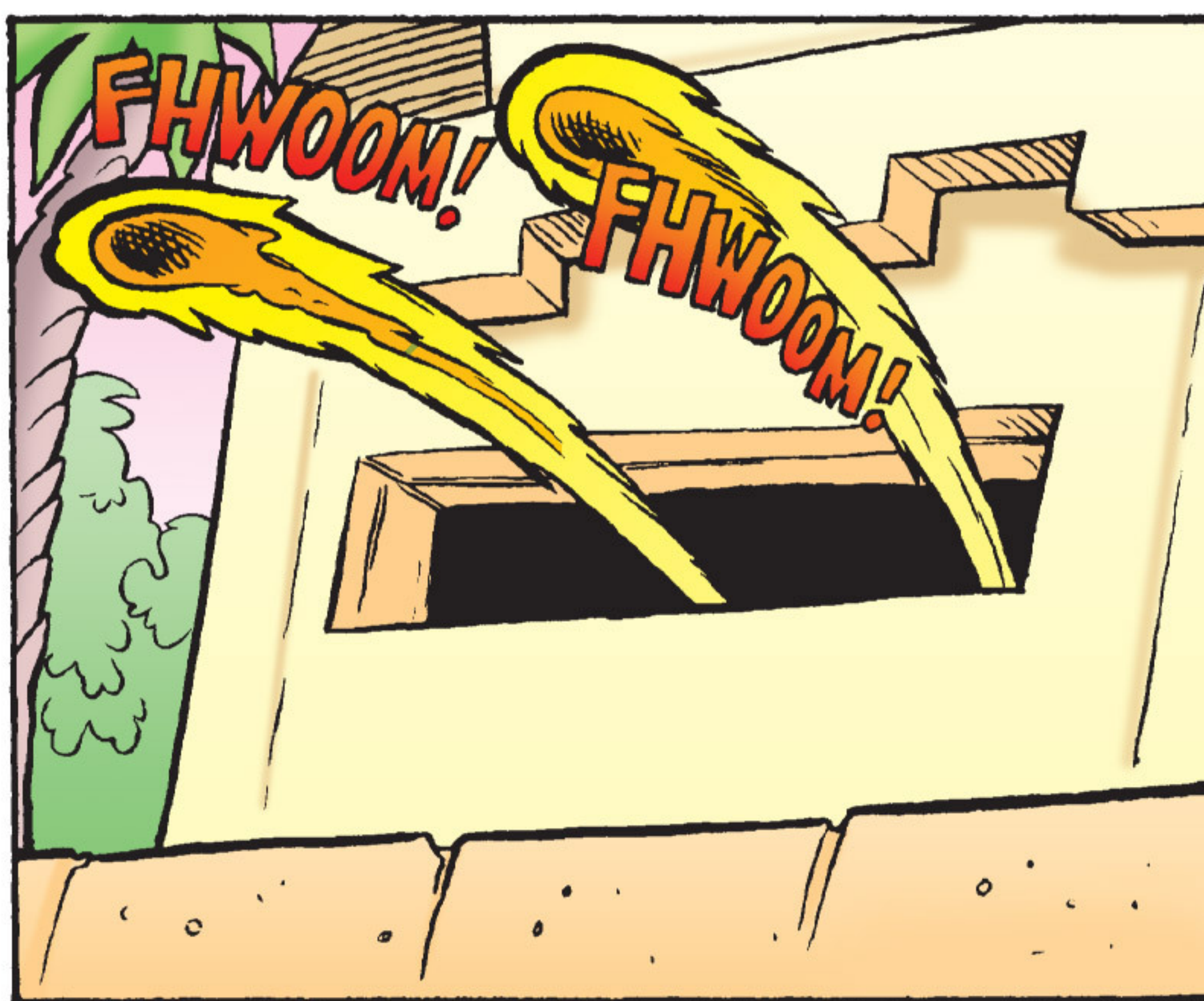
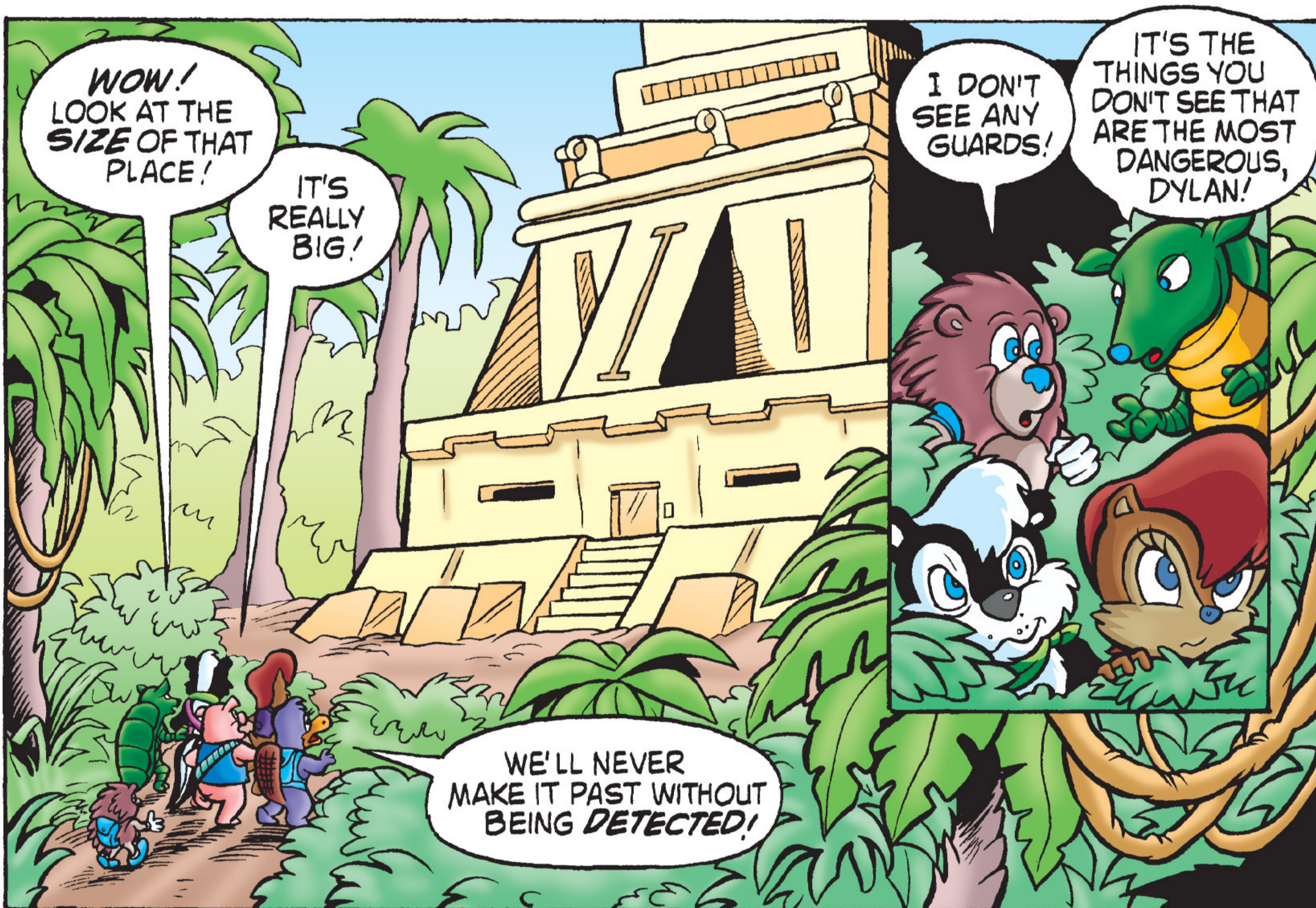
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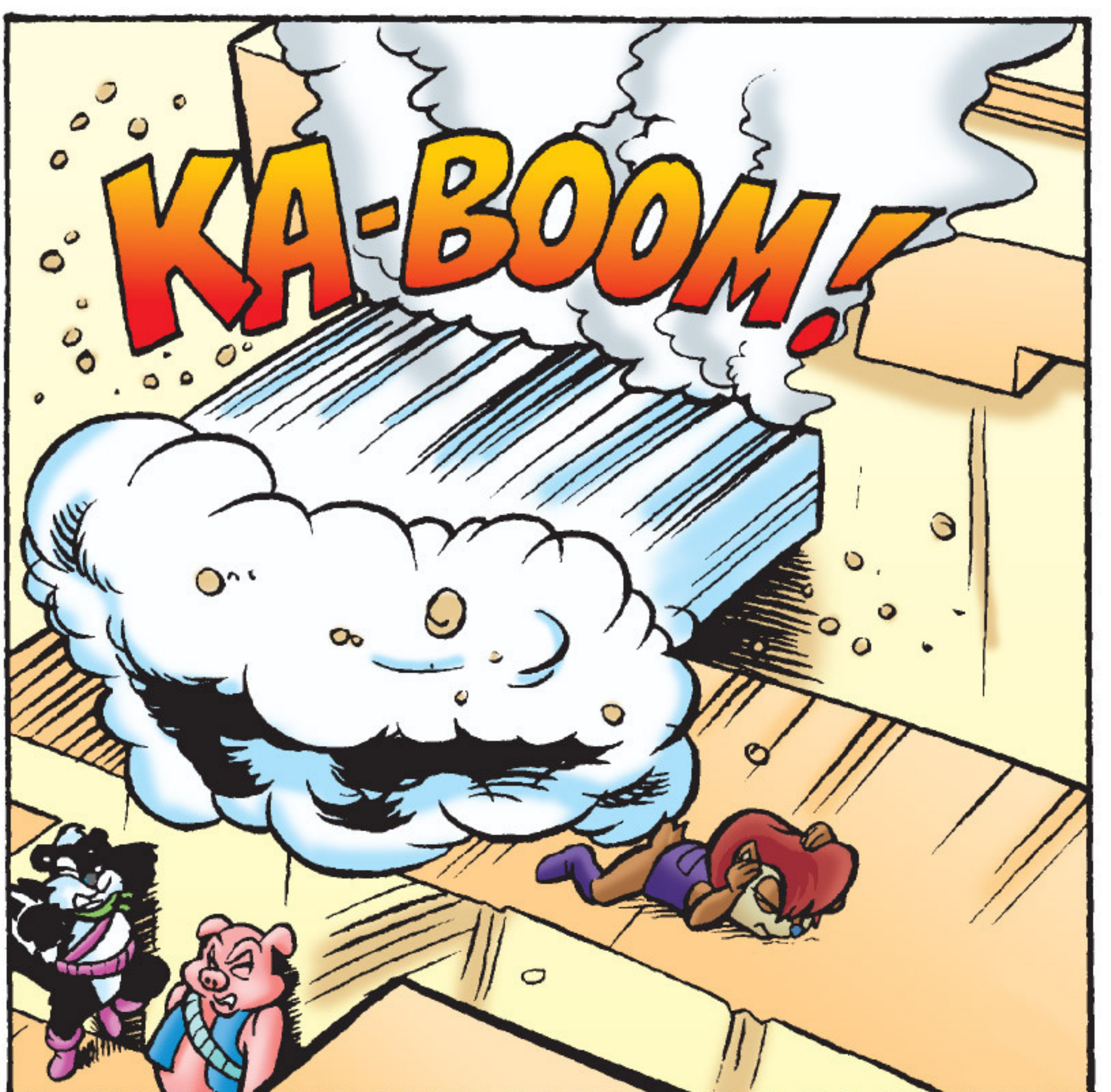
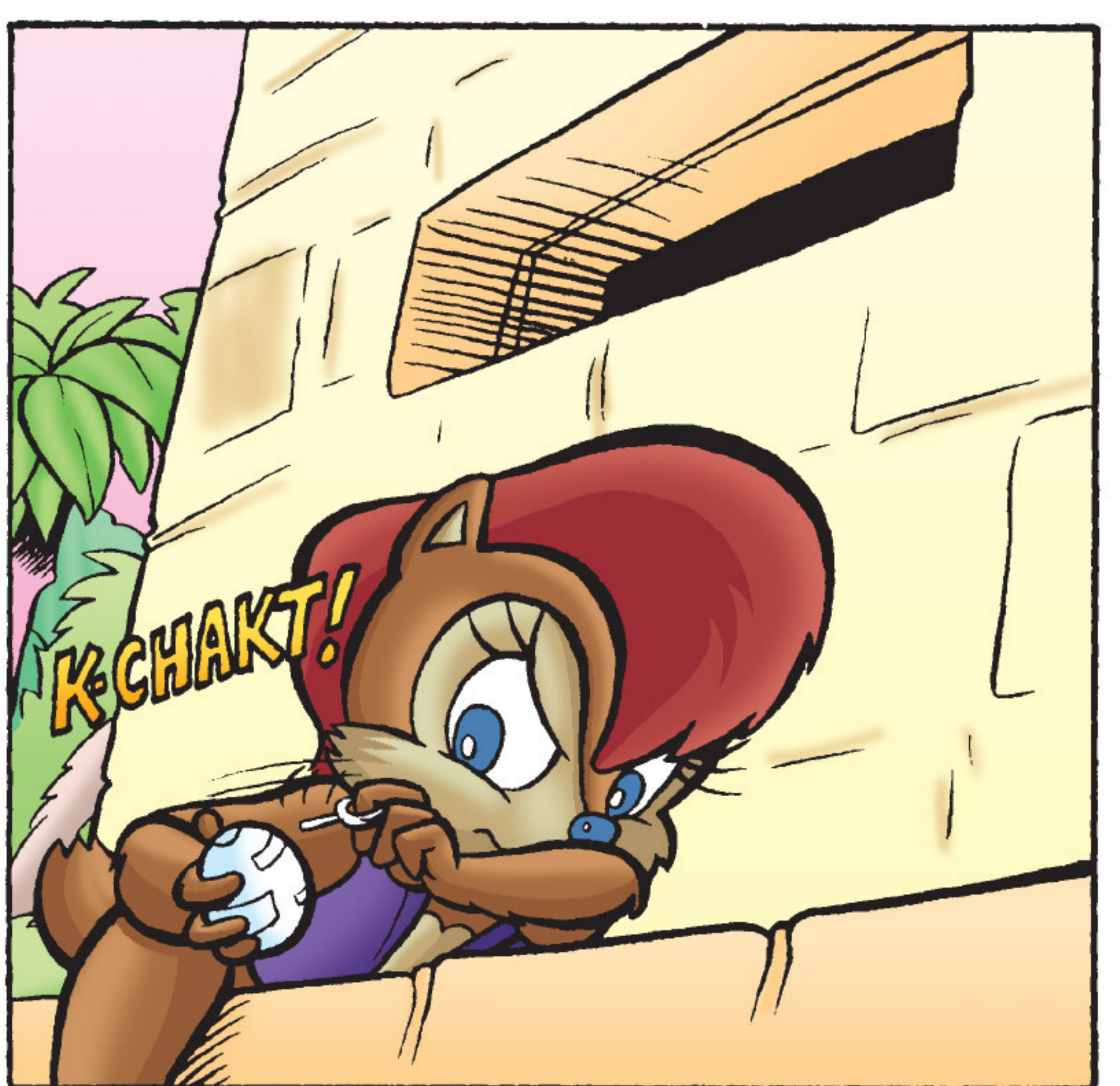
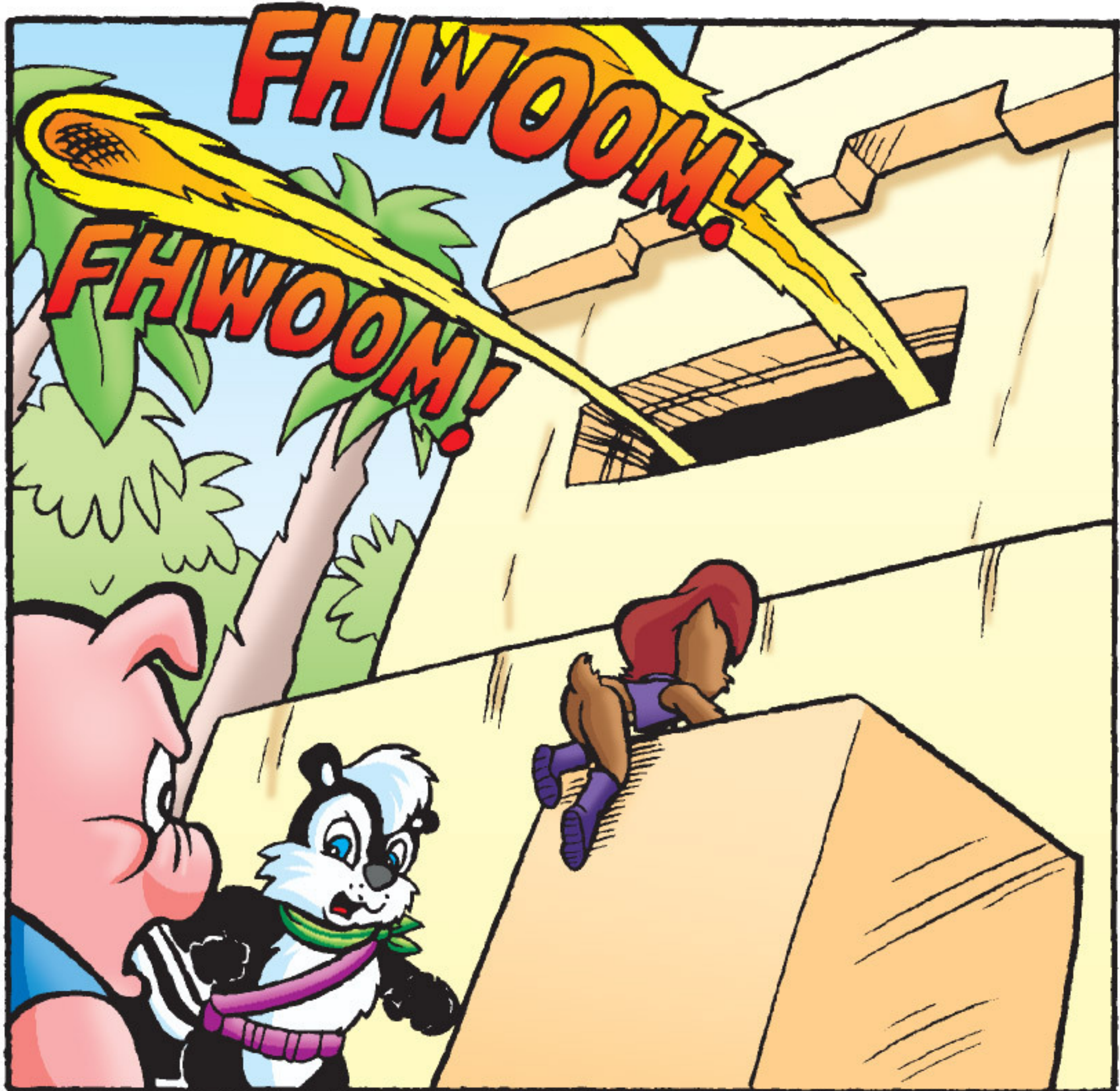
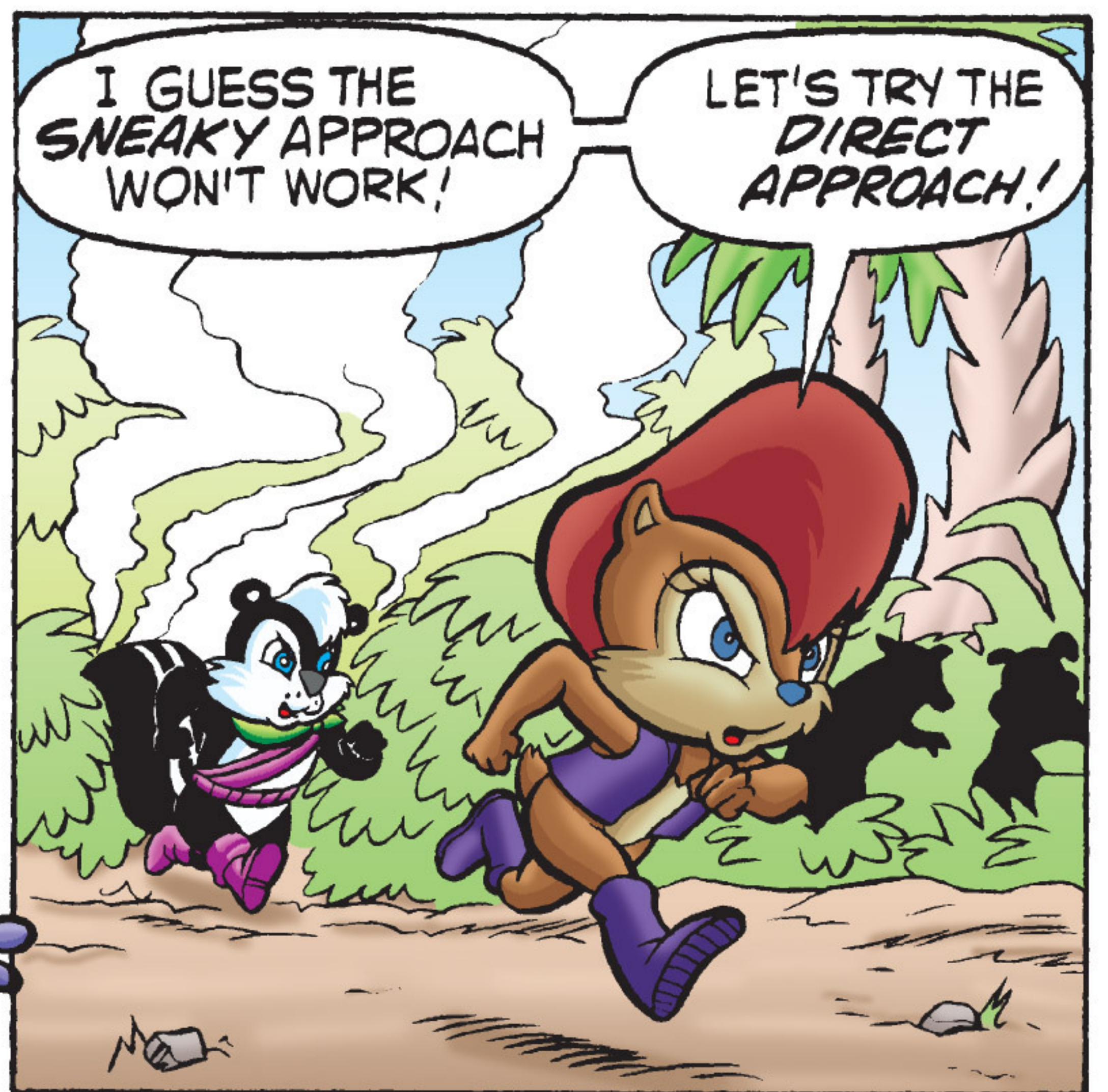
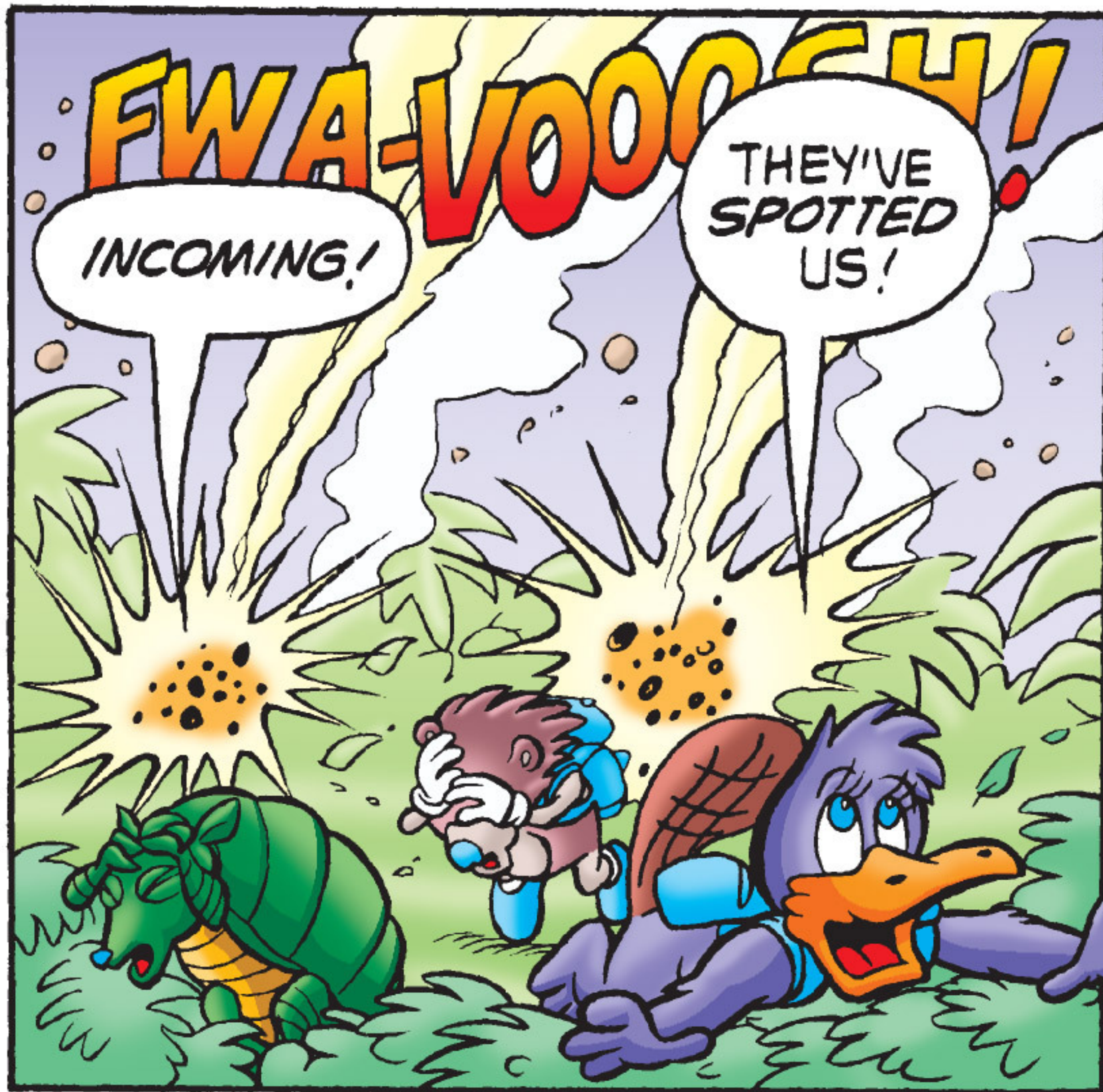


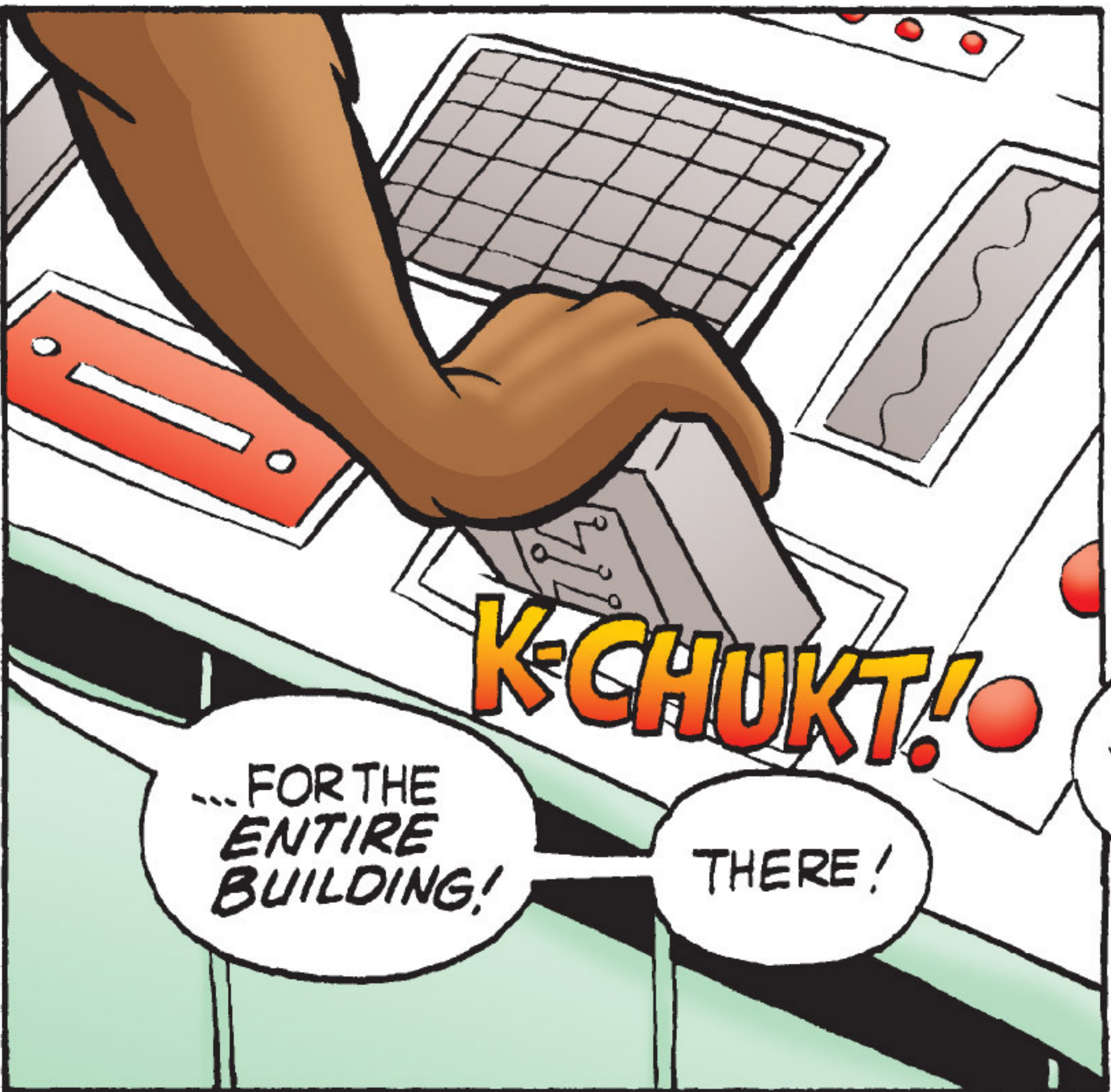
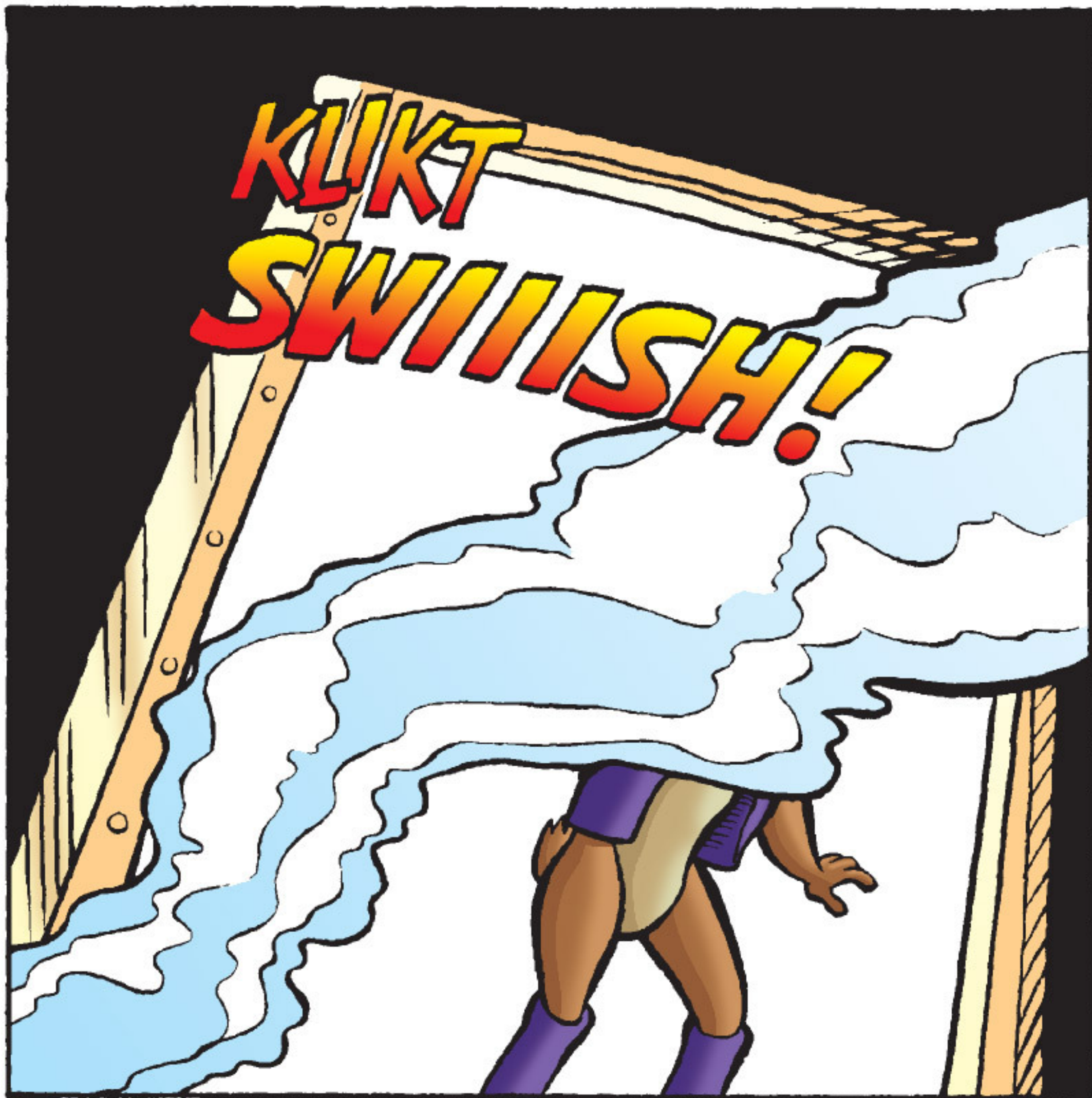
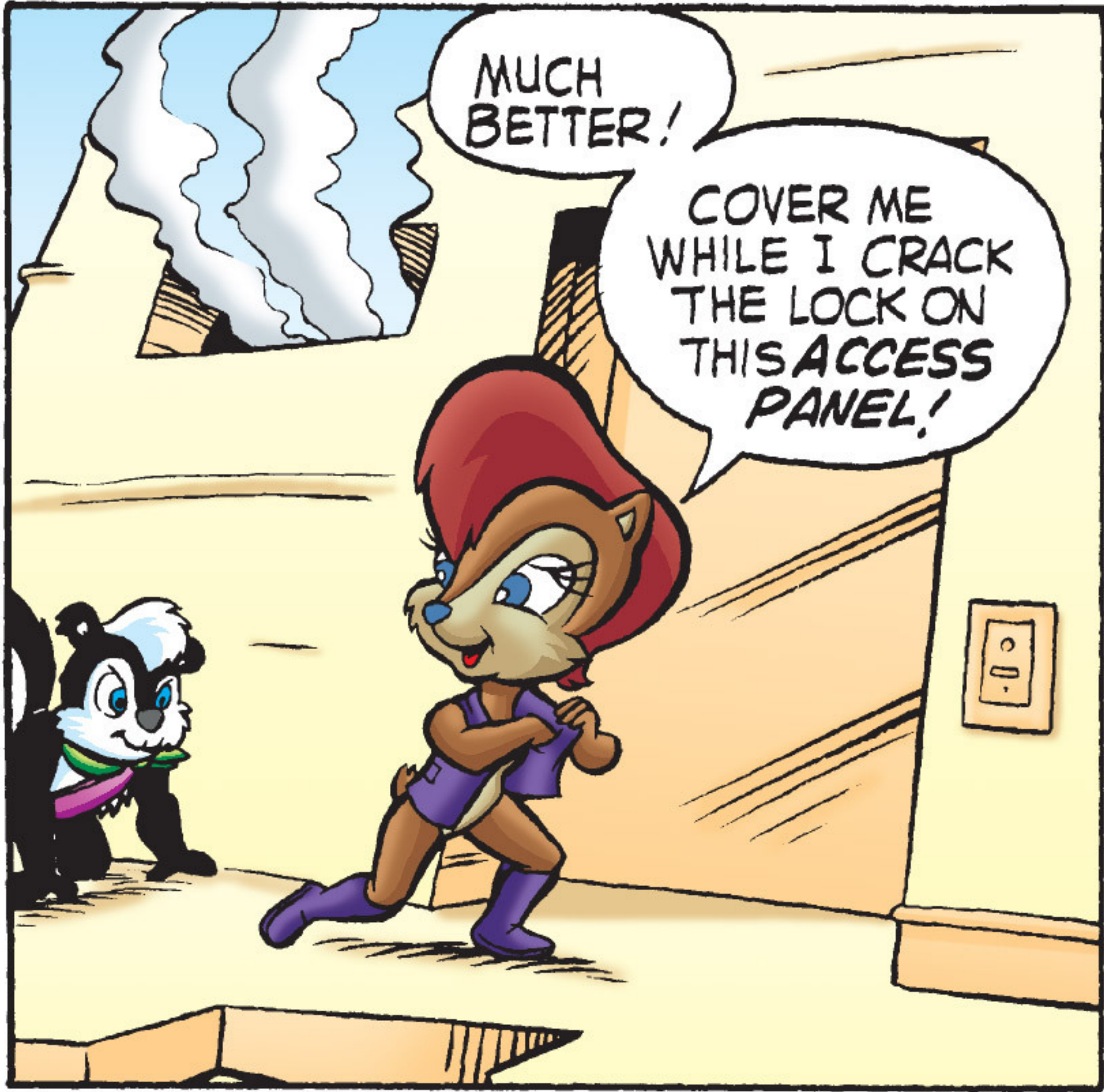














WH-WHATEVER
IT IS, IT'S GETTING
CLOSER!

ANY IDEA
WHAT IT COULD
BE?



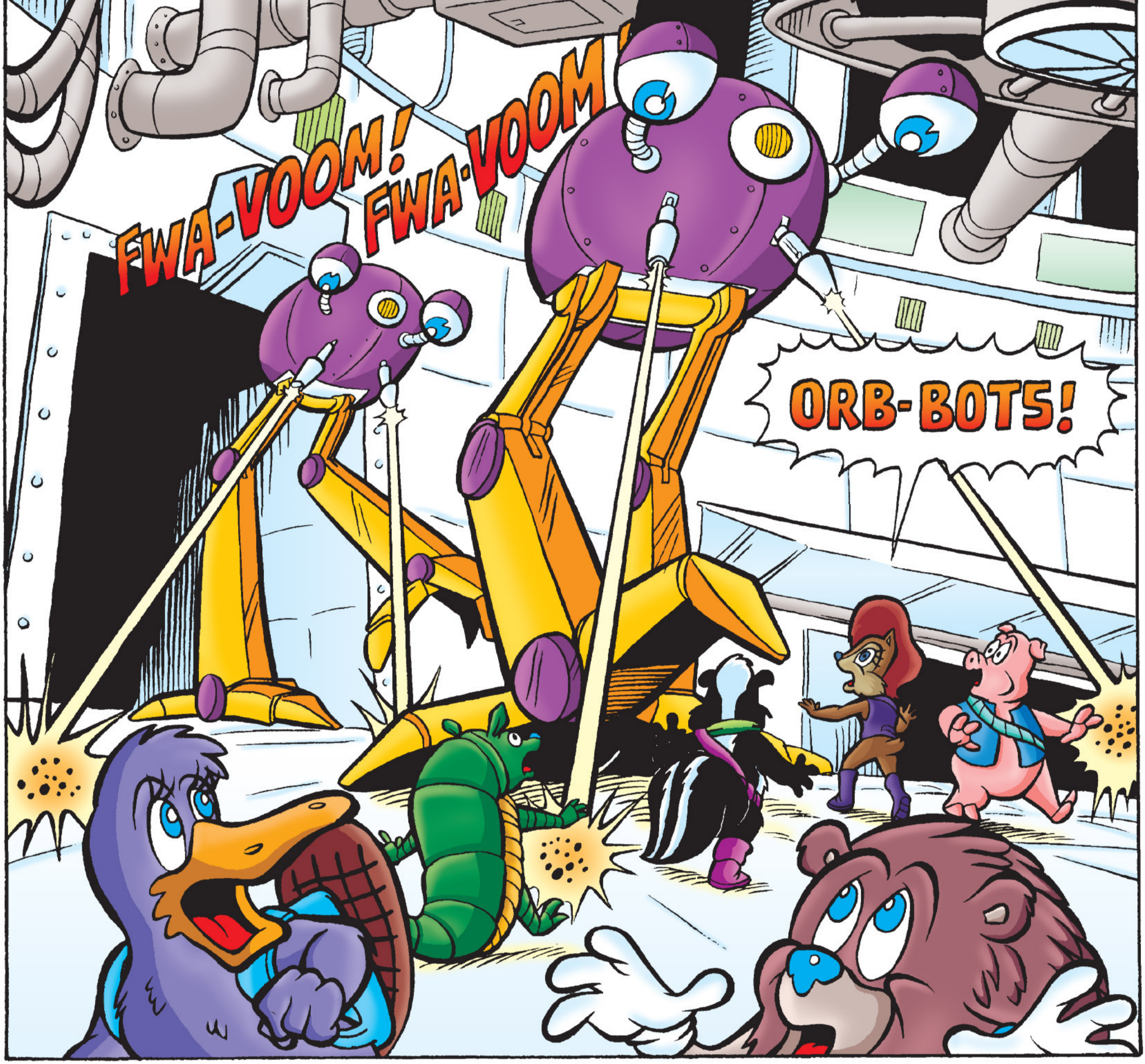
I DON'T KNOW,
PENELOPE!

I ...

DON'T ...

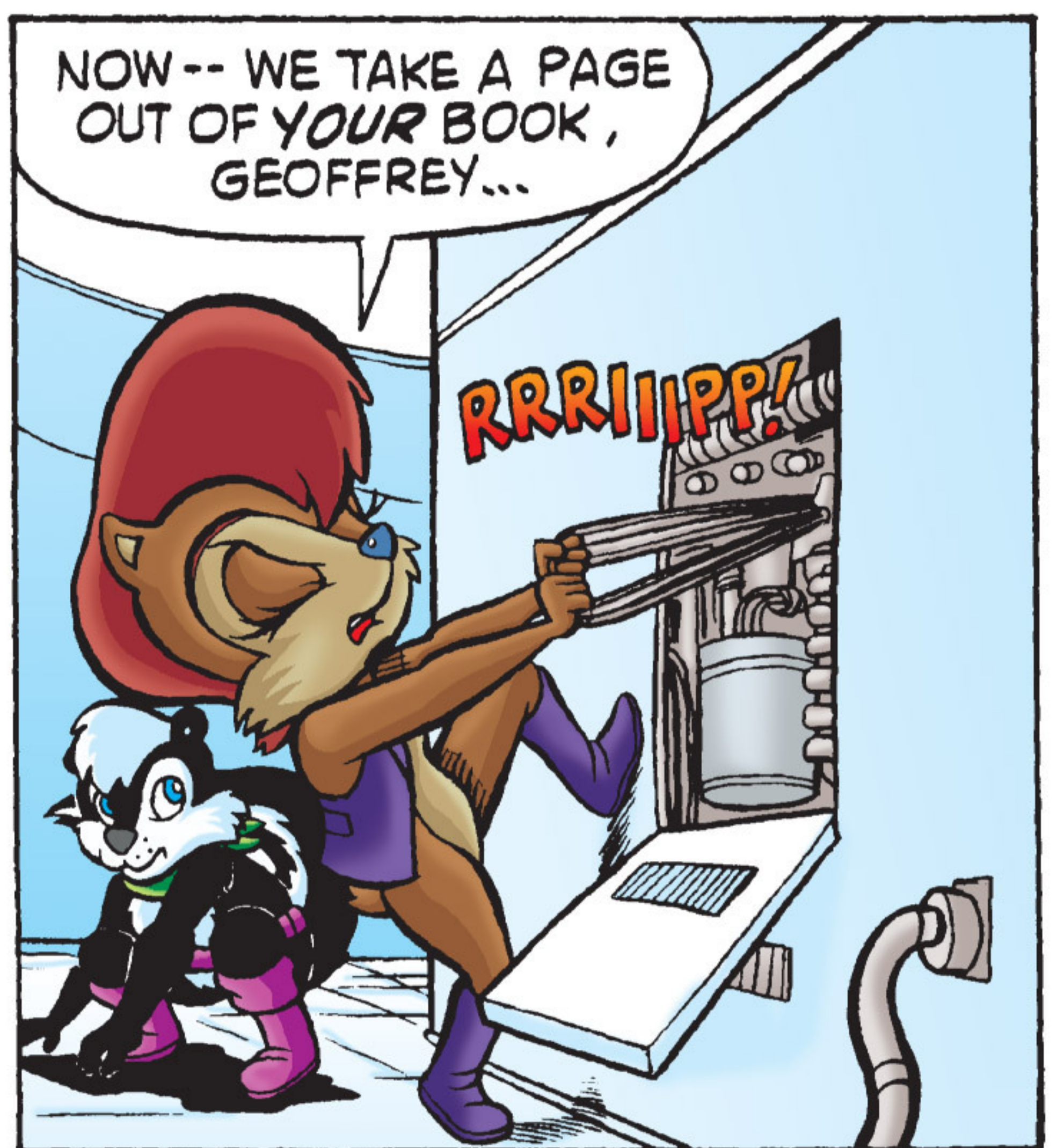
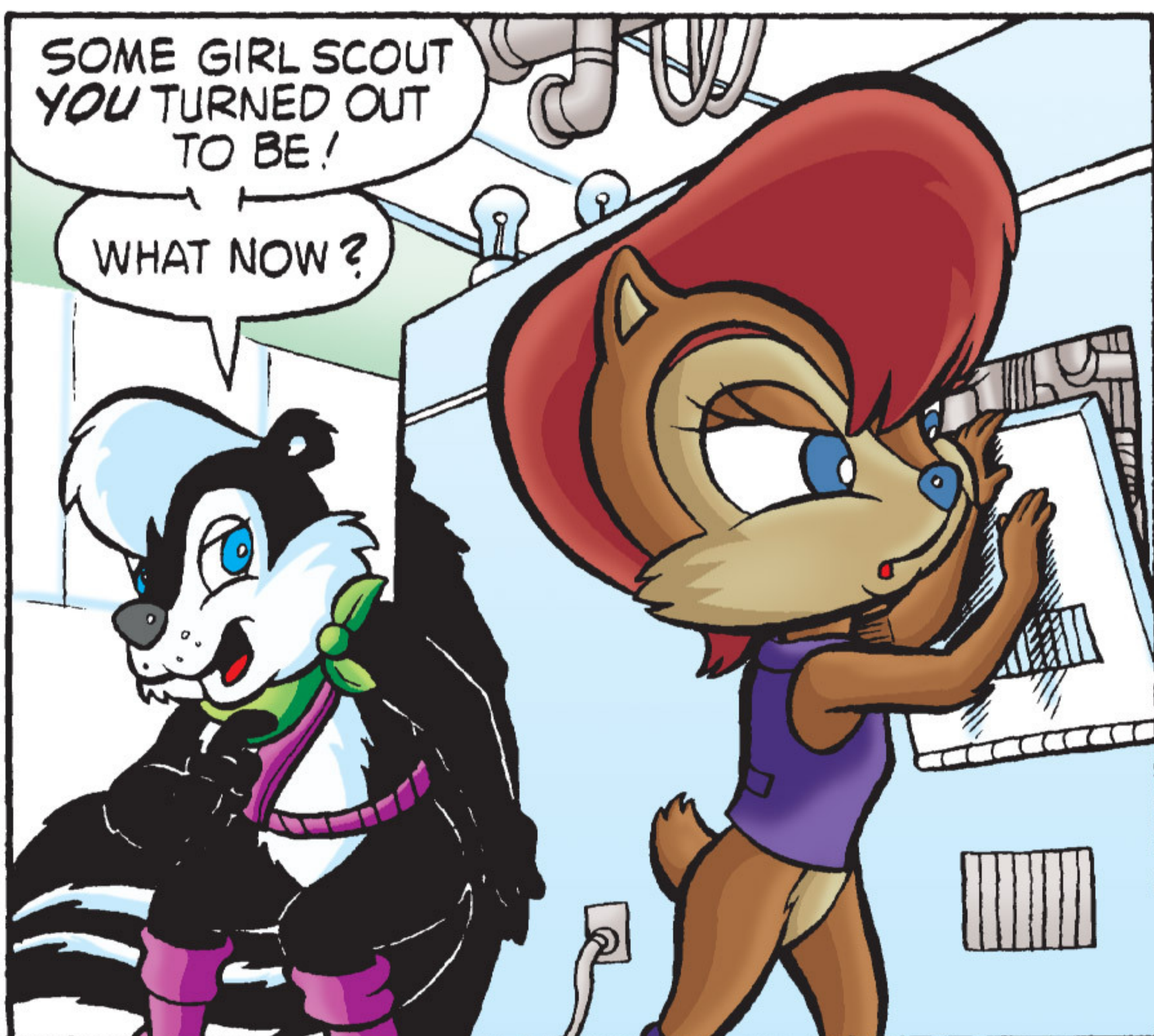
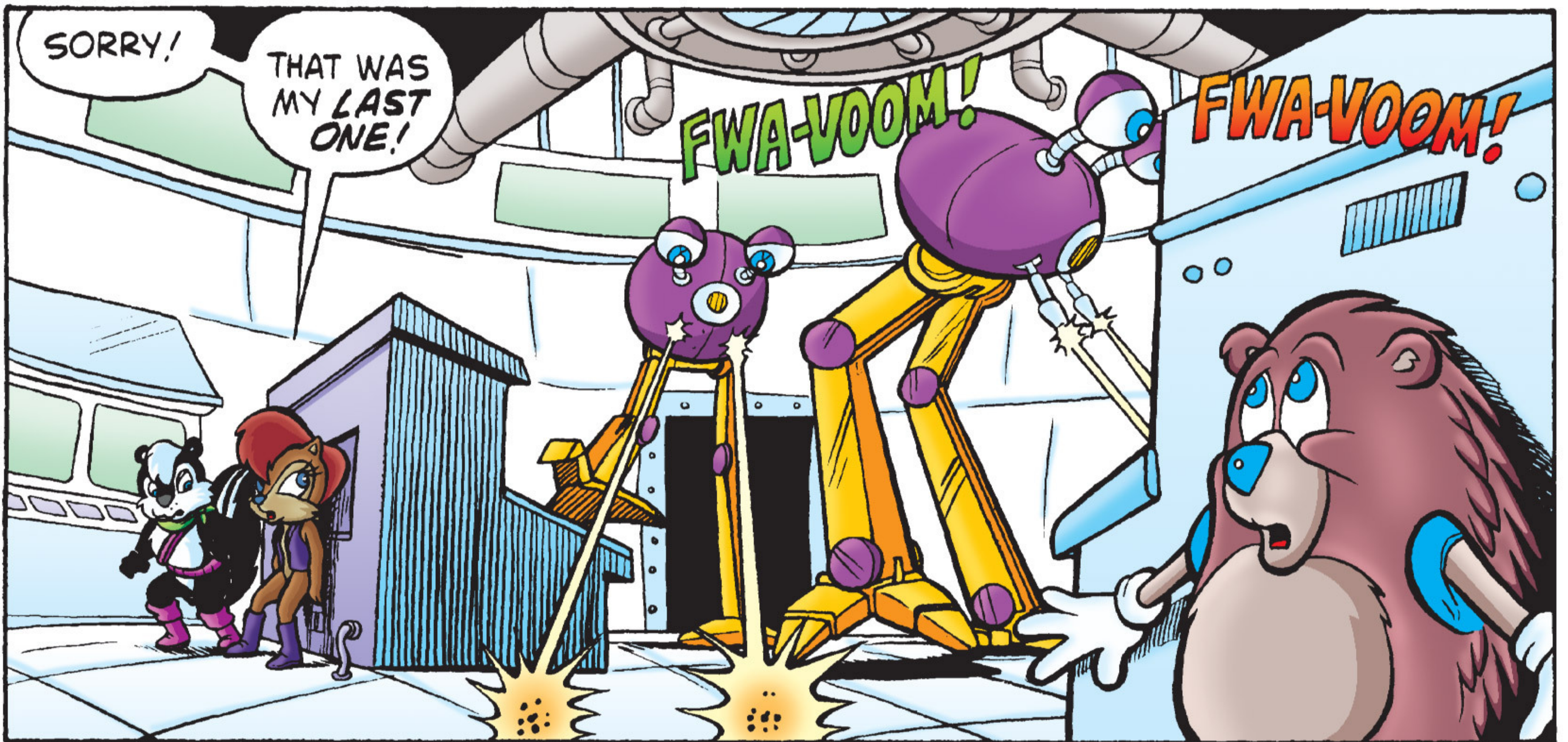
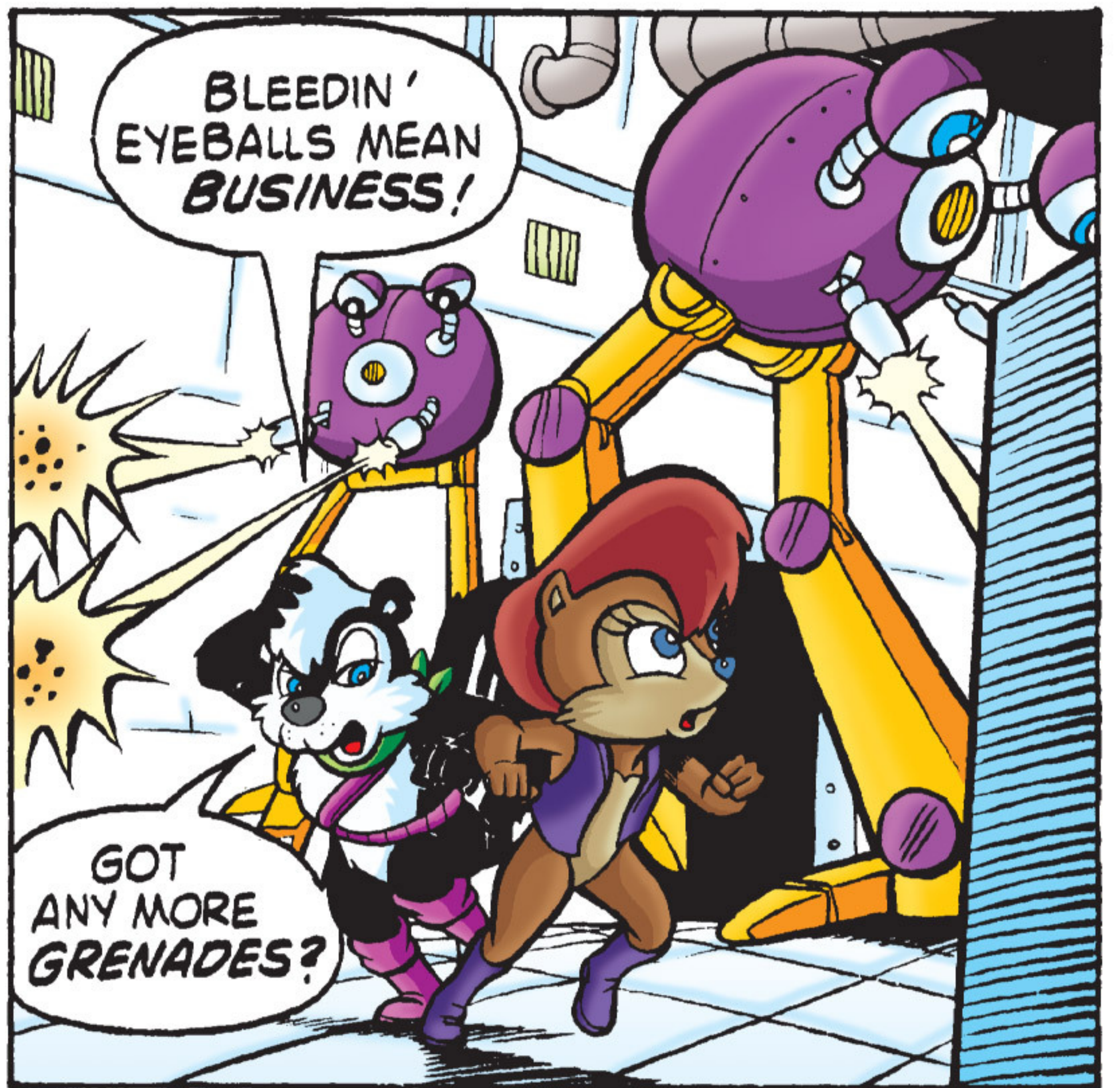
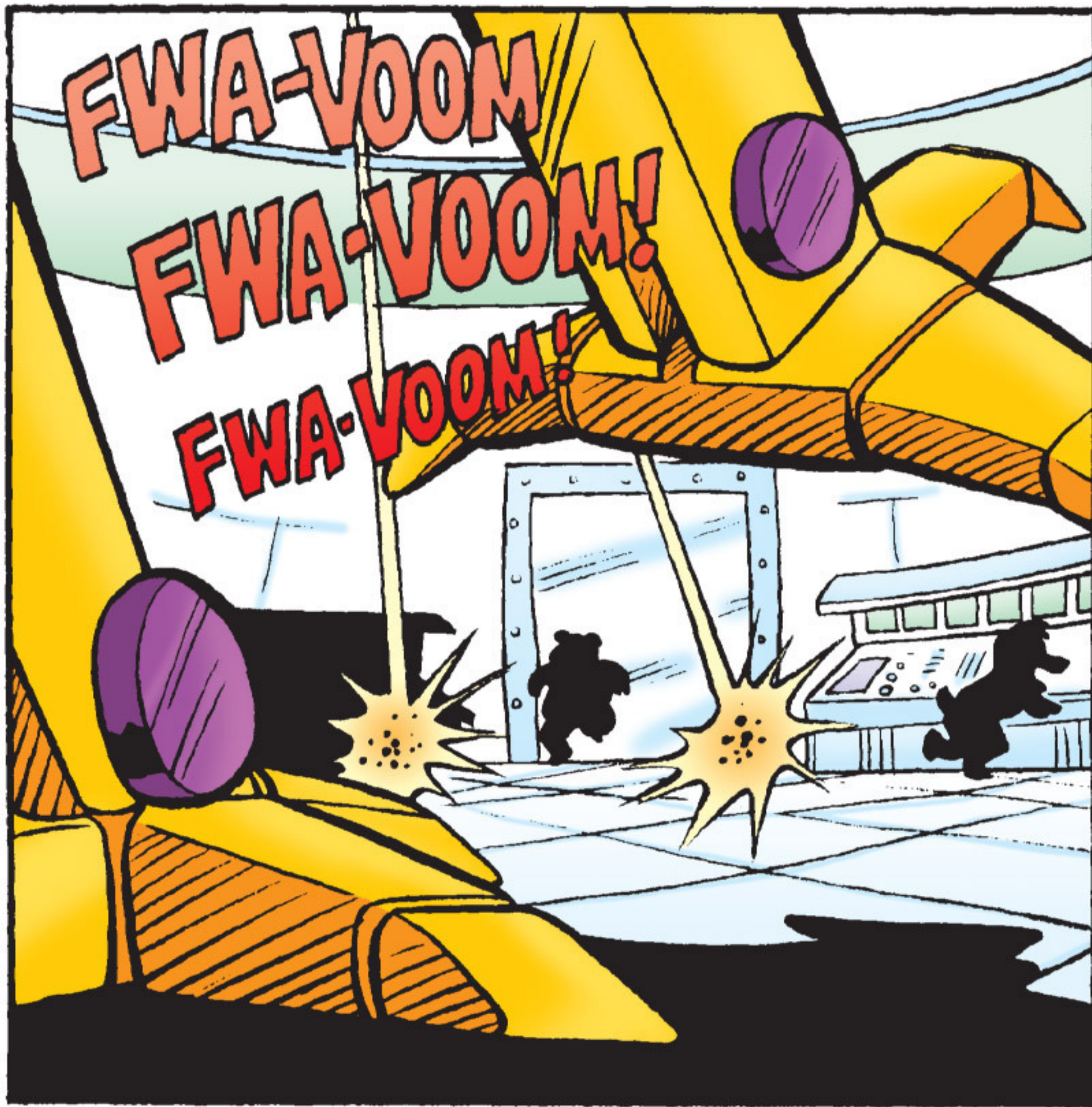
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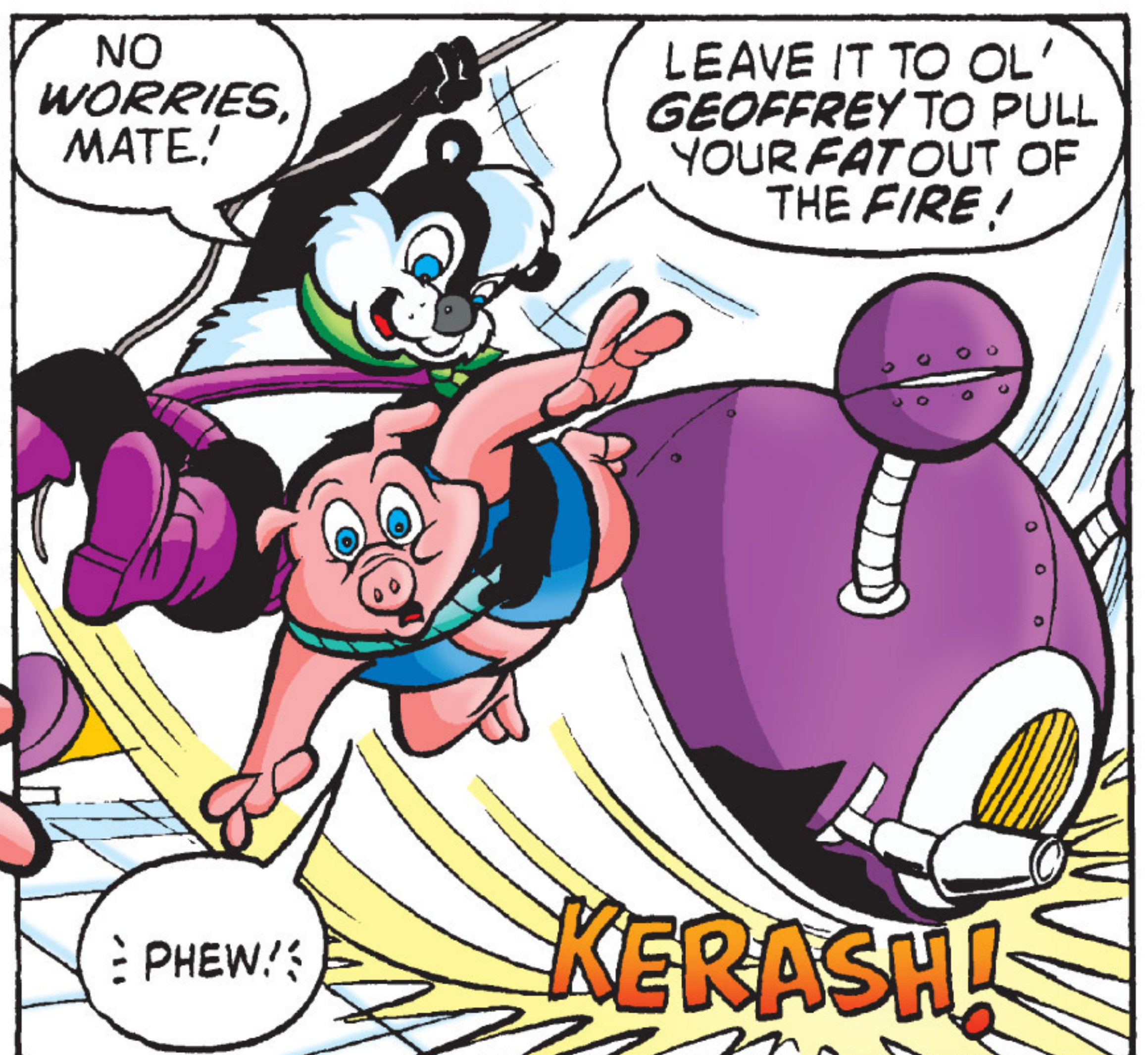
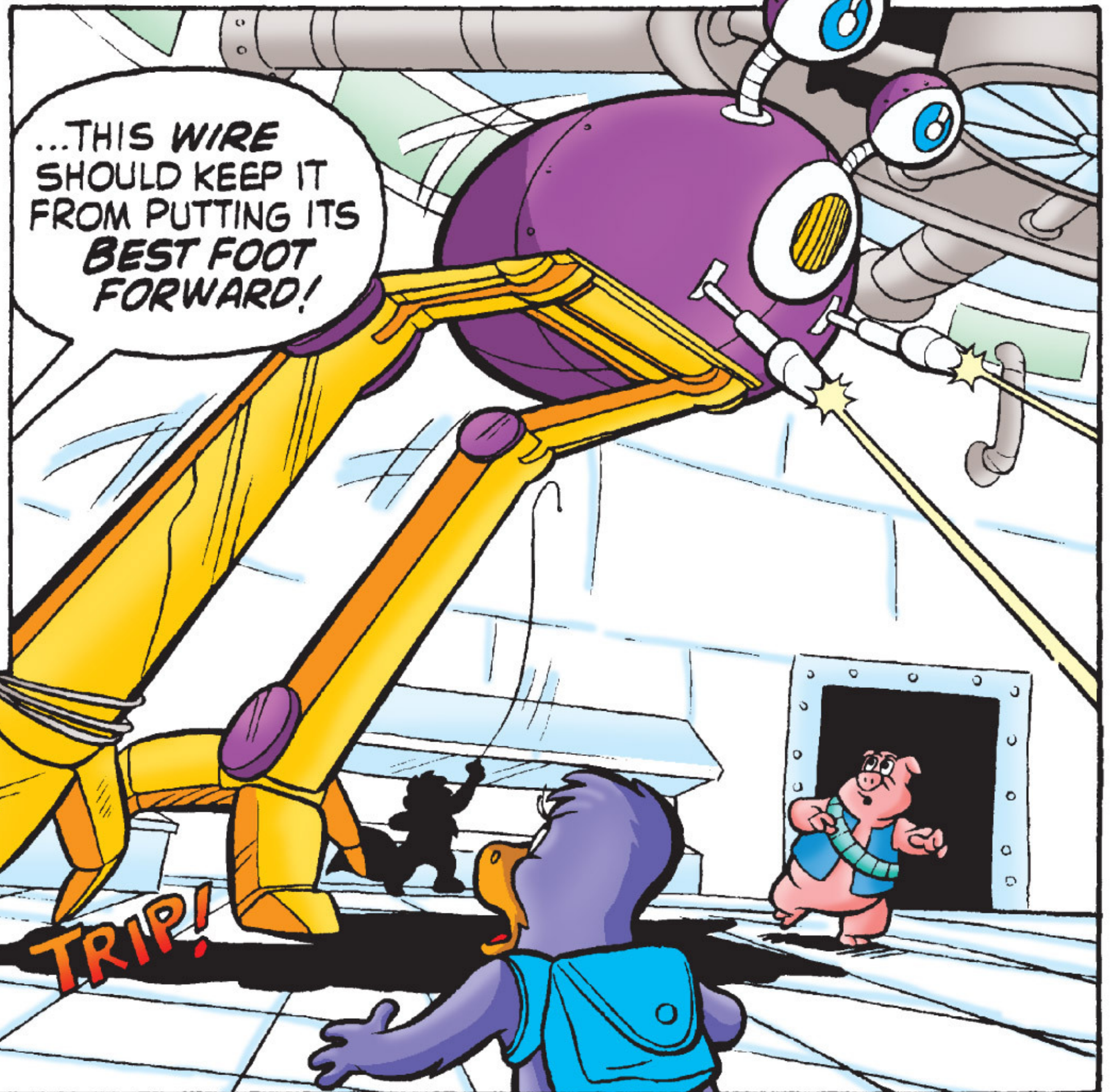
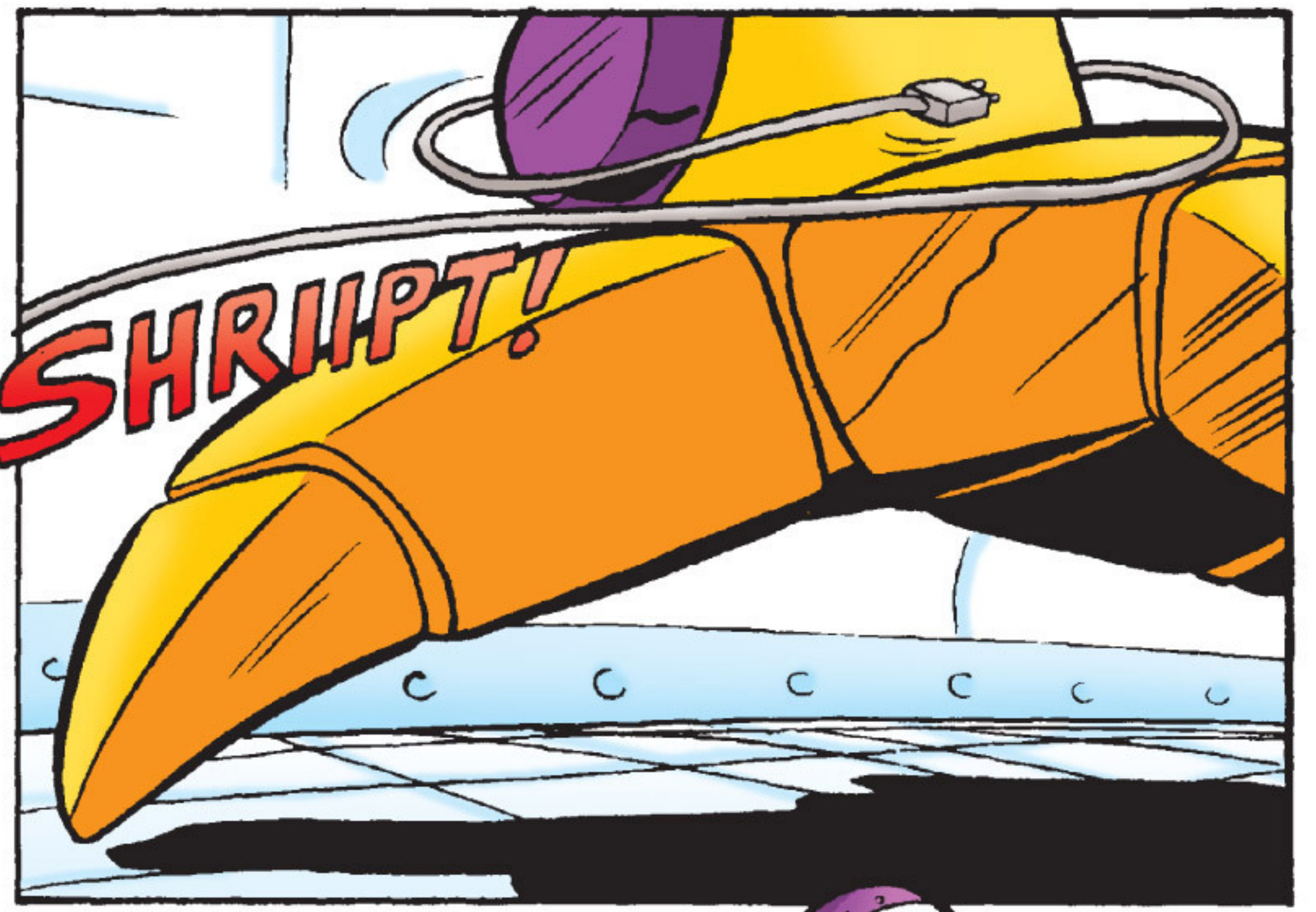
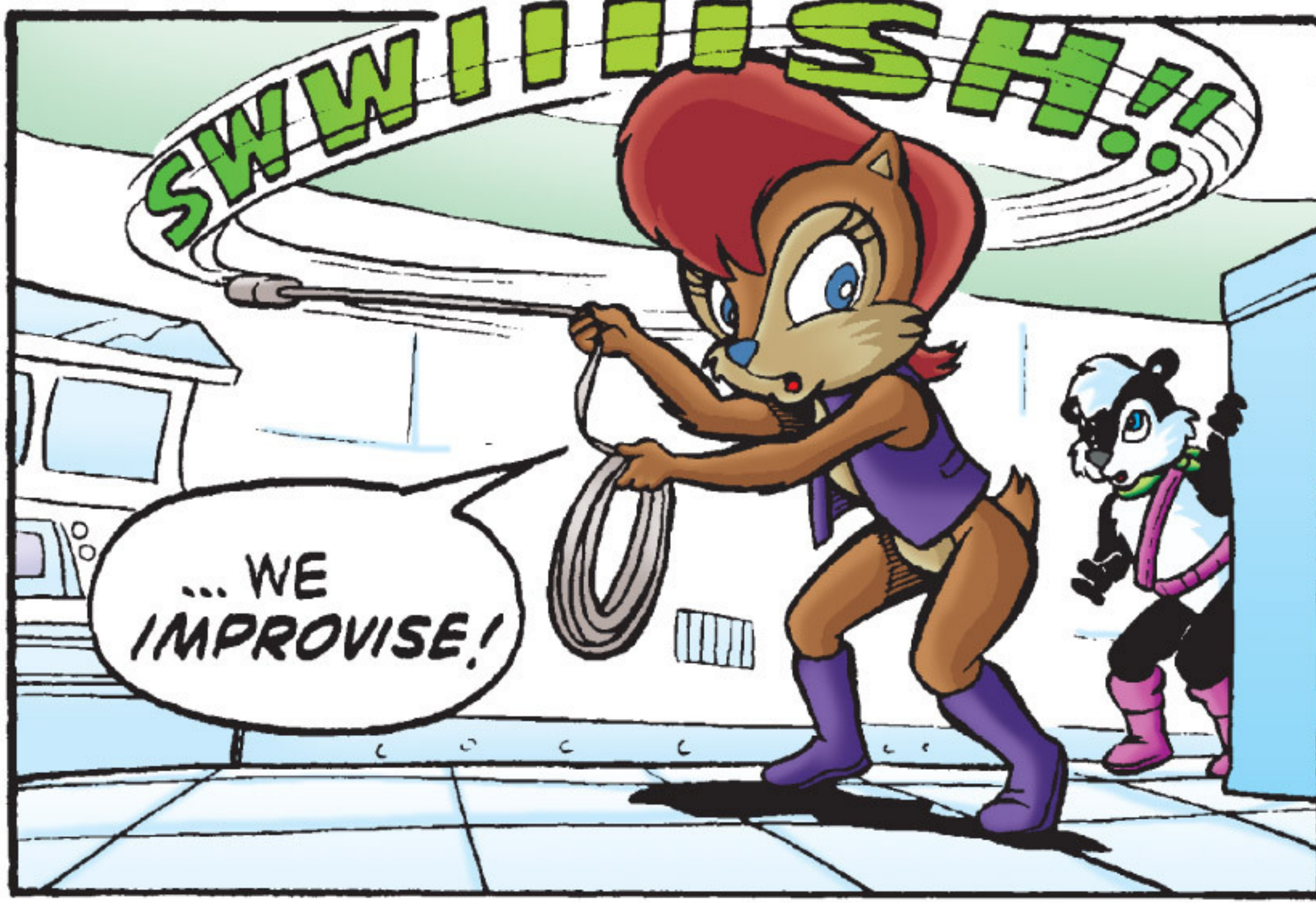
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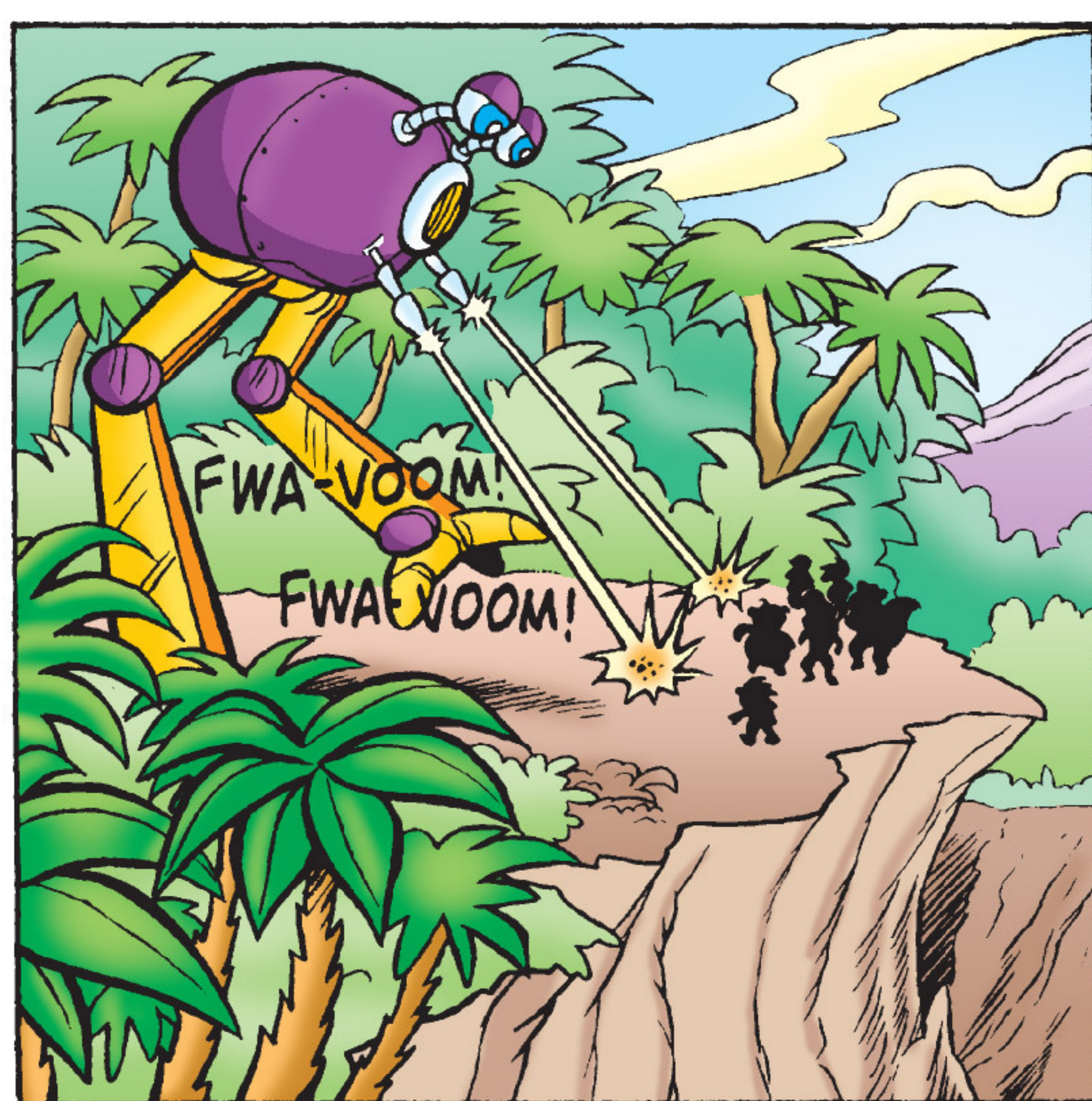
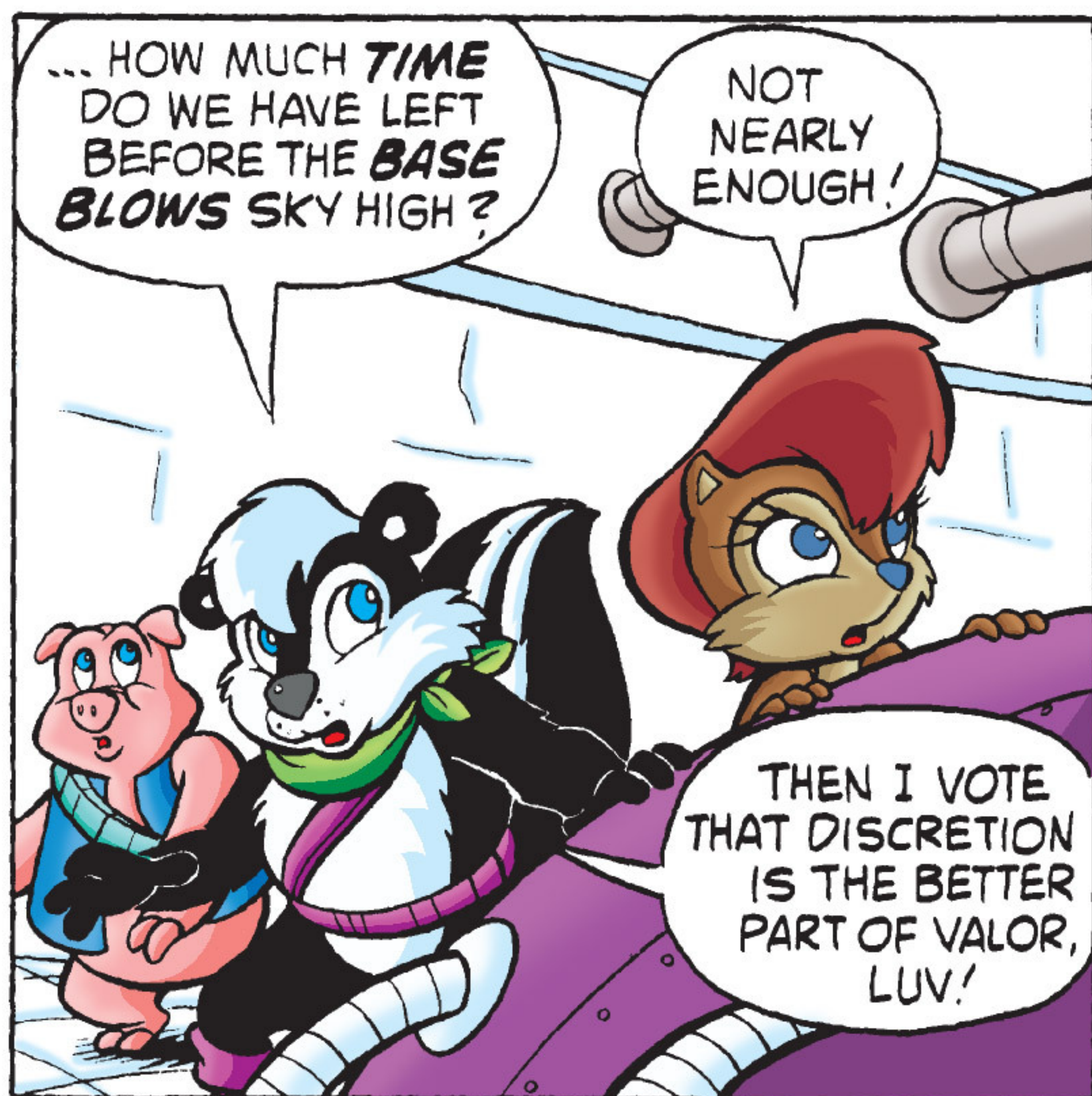
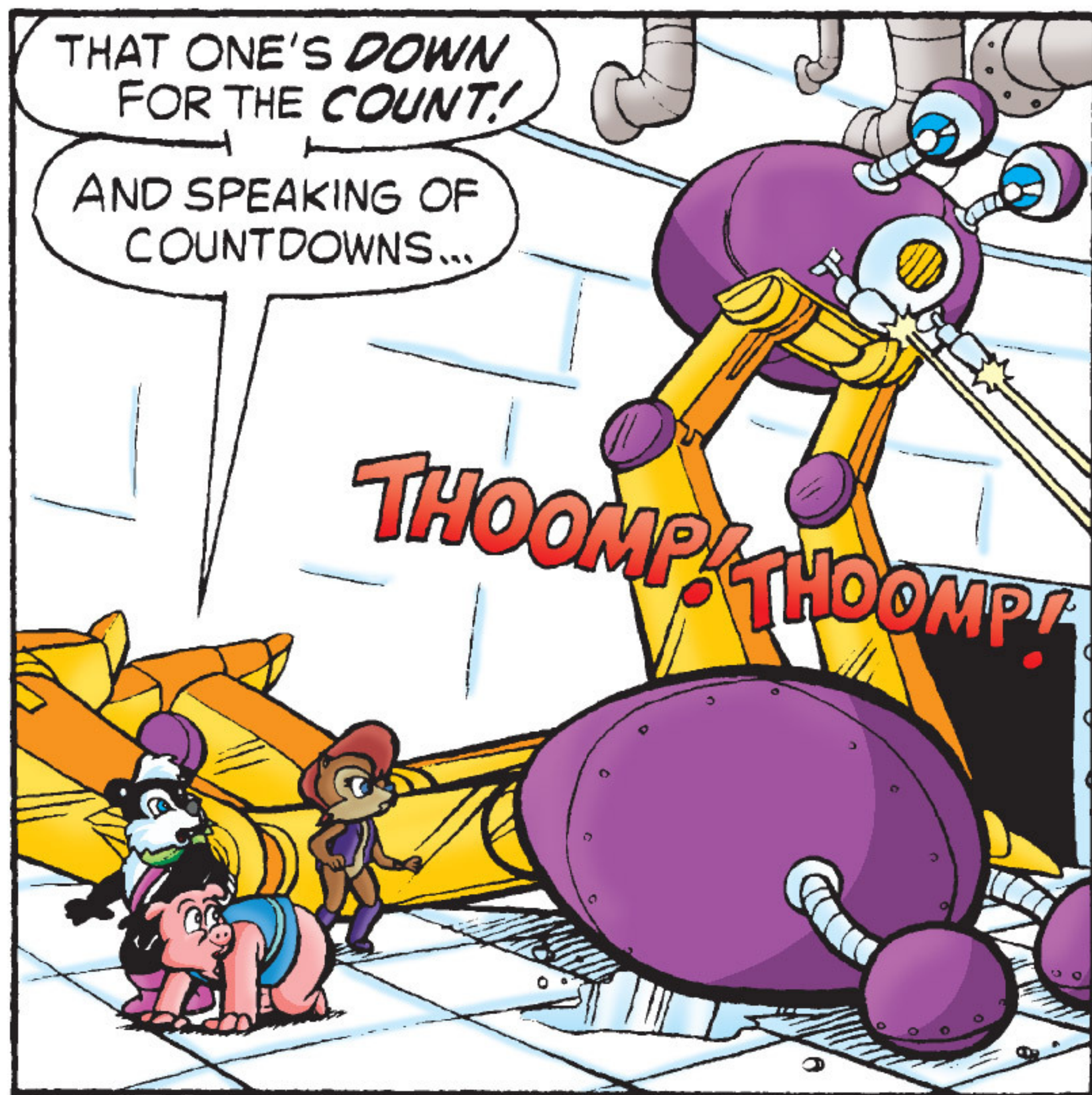


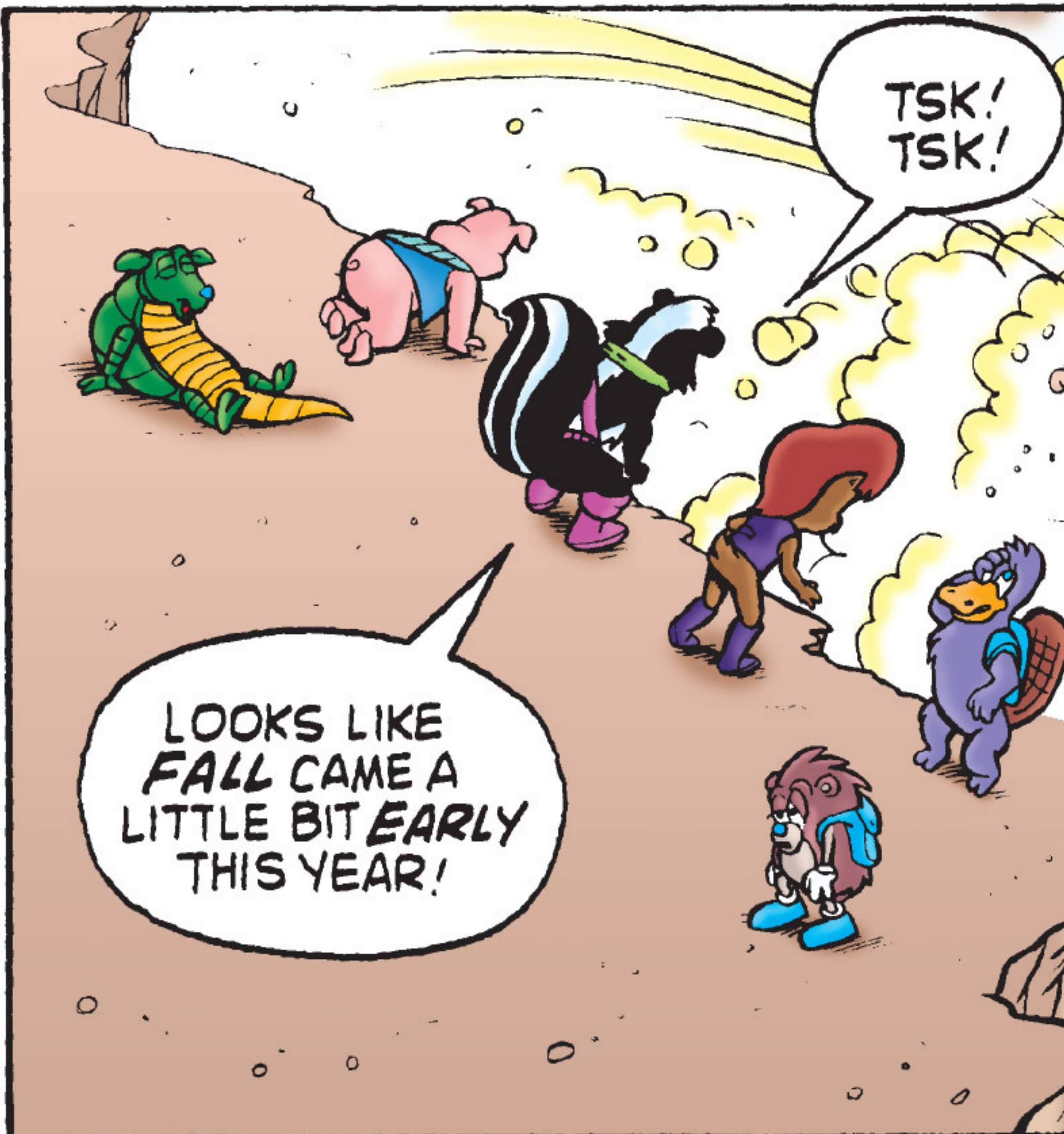
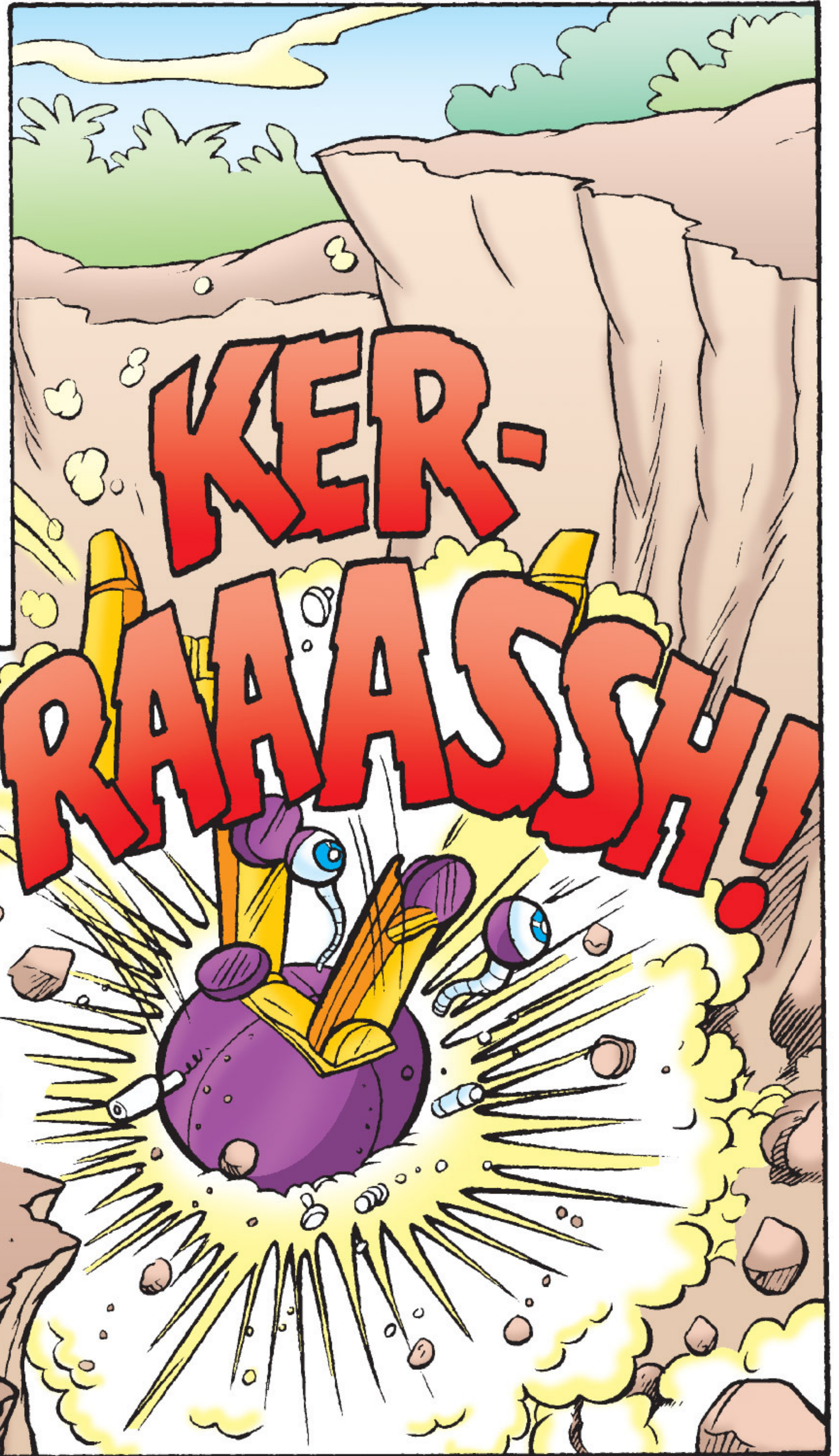
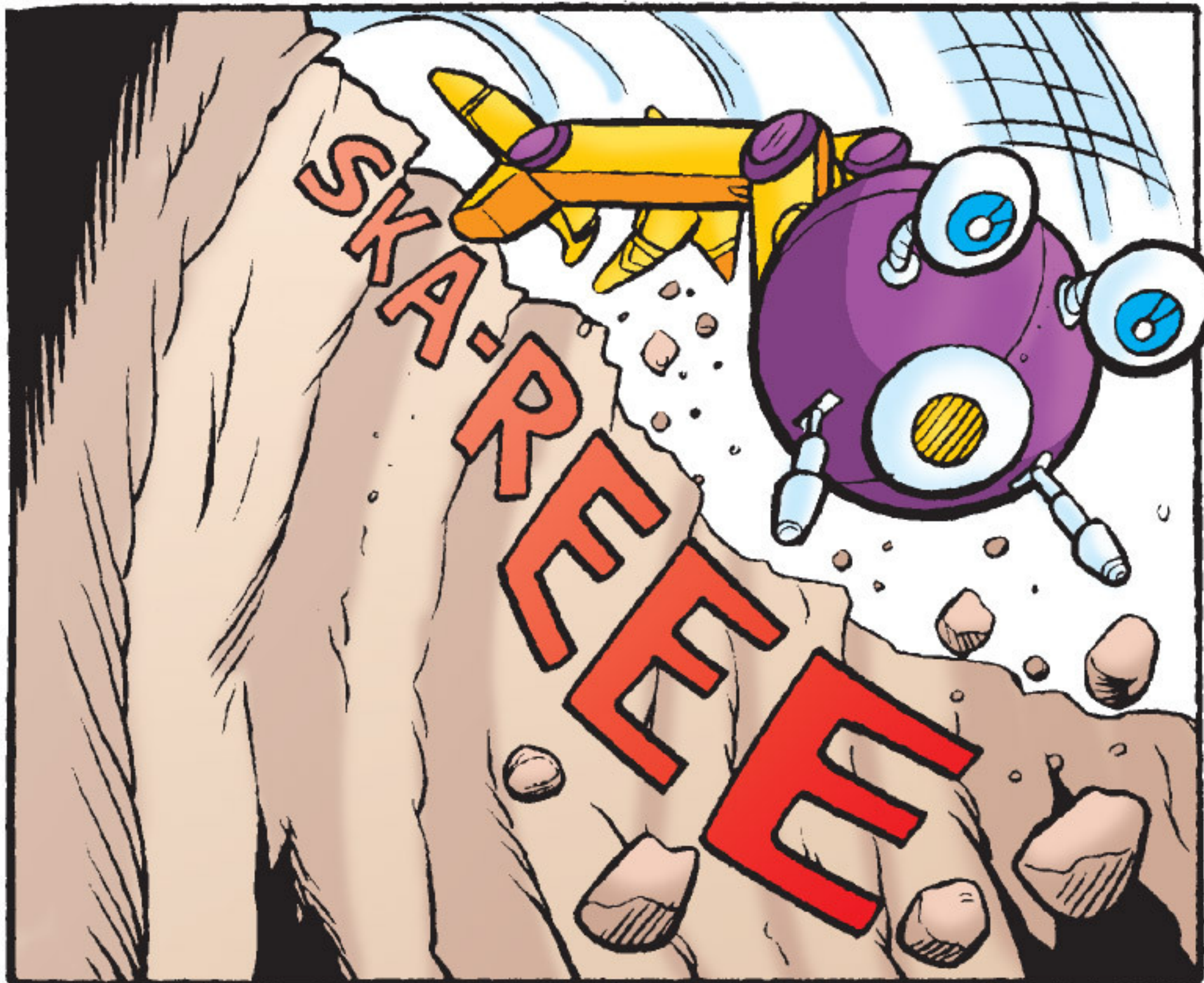
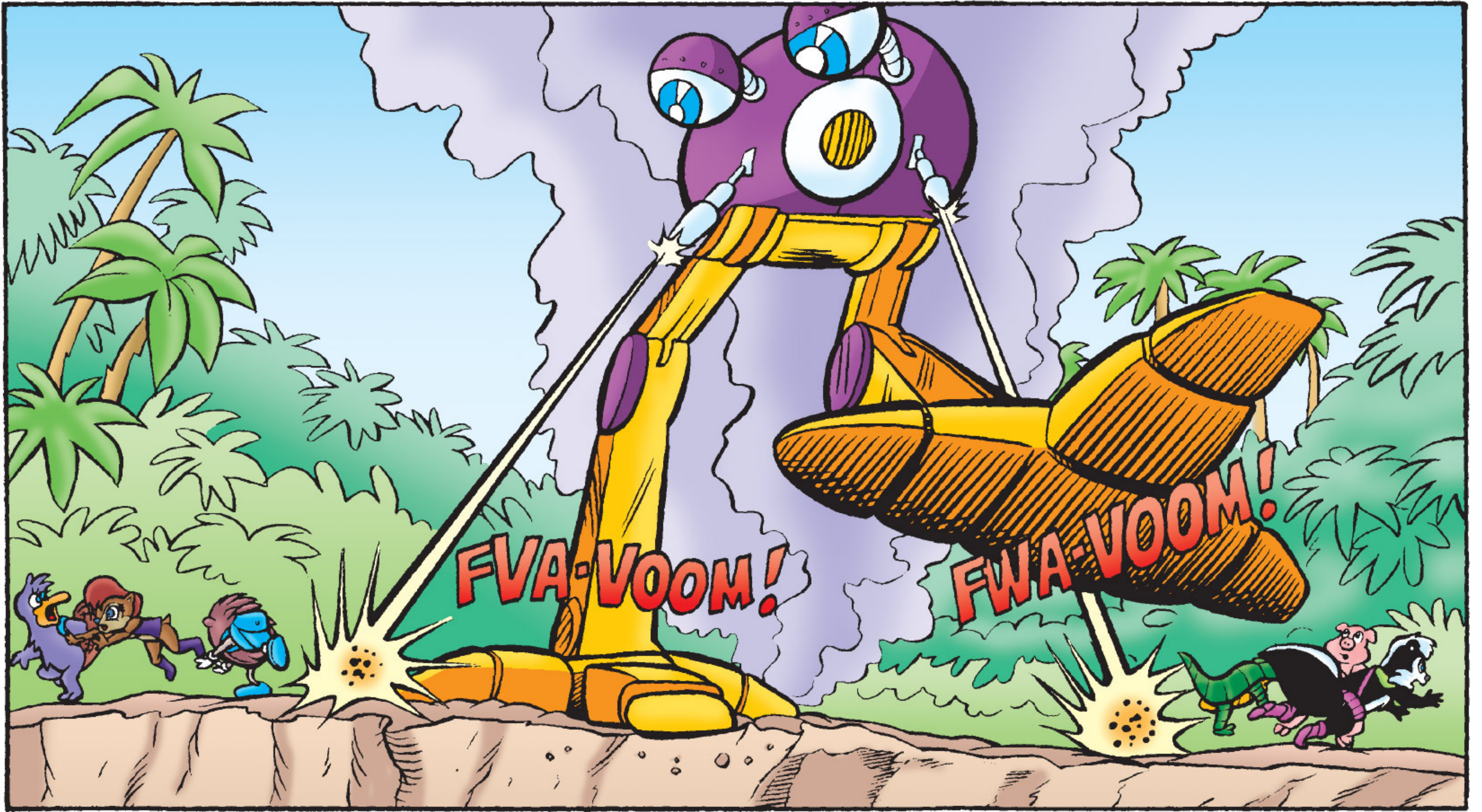
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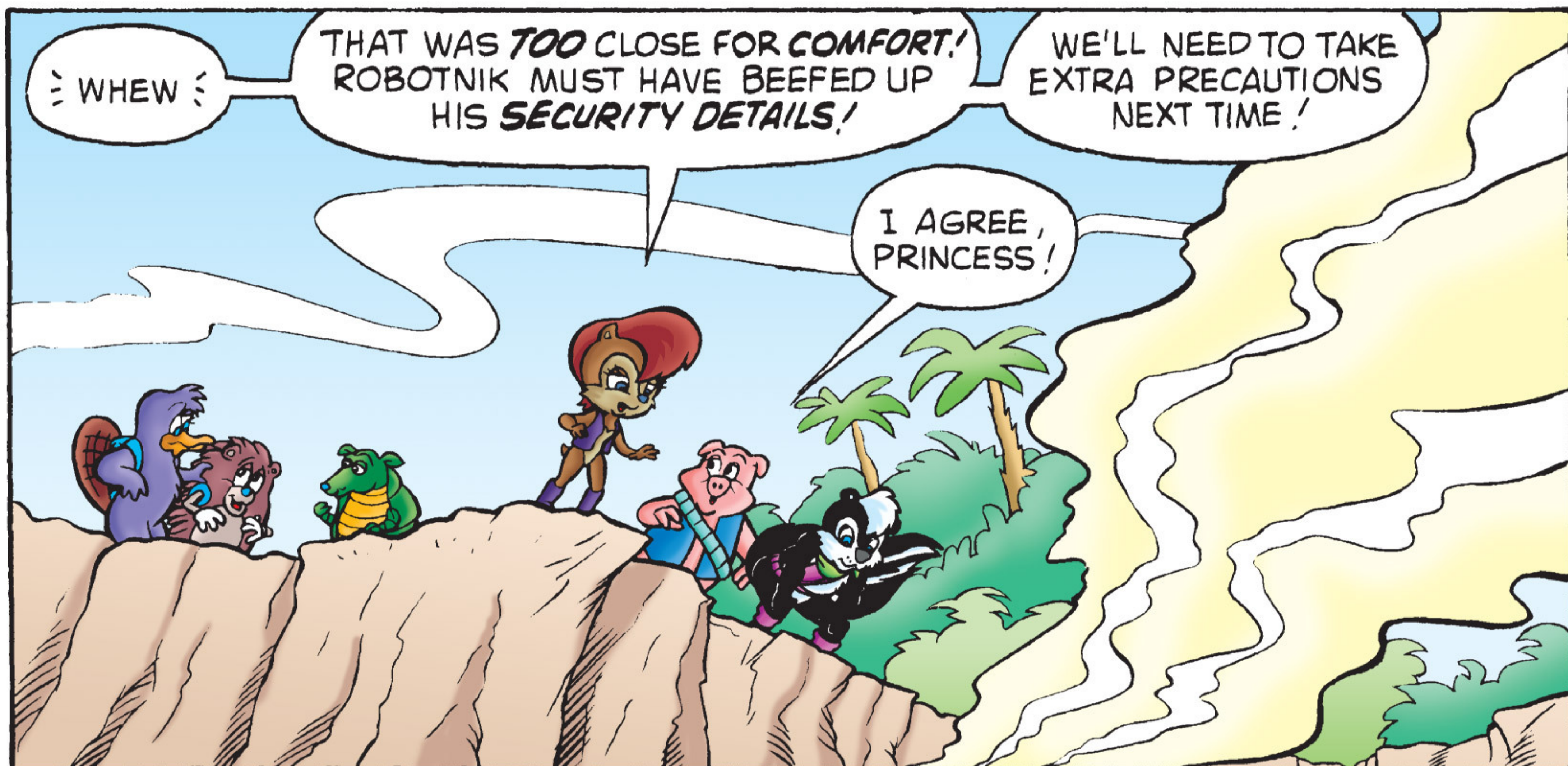
ORB-BOTS!











WHEW!

THAT WAS *TOO* CLOSE FOR COMFORT! ROBOTNIK MUST HAVE BEEFED UP HIS *SECURITY DETAILS*!

WE'LL NEED TO TAKE EXTRA PRECAUTIONS NEXT TIME!

I AGREE, PRINCESS!



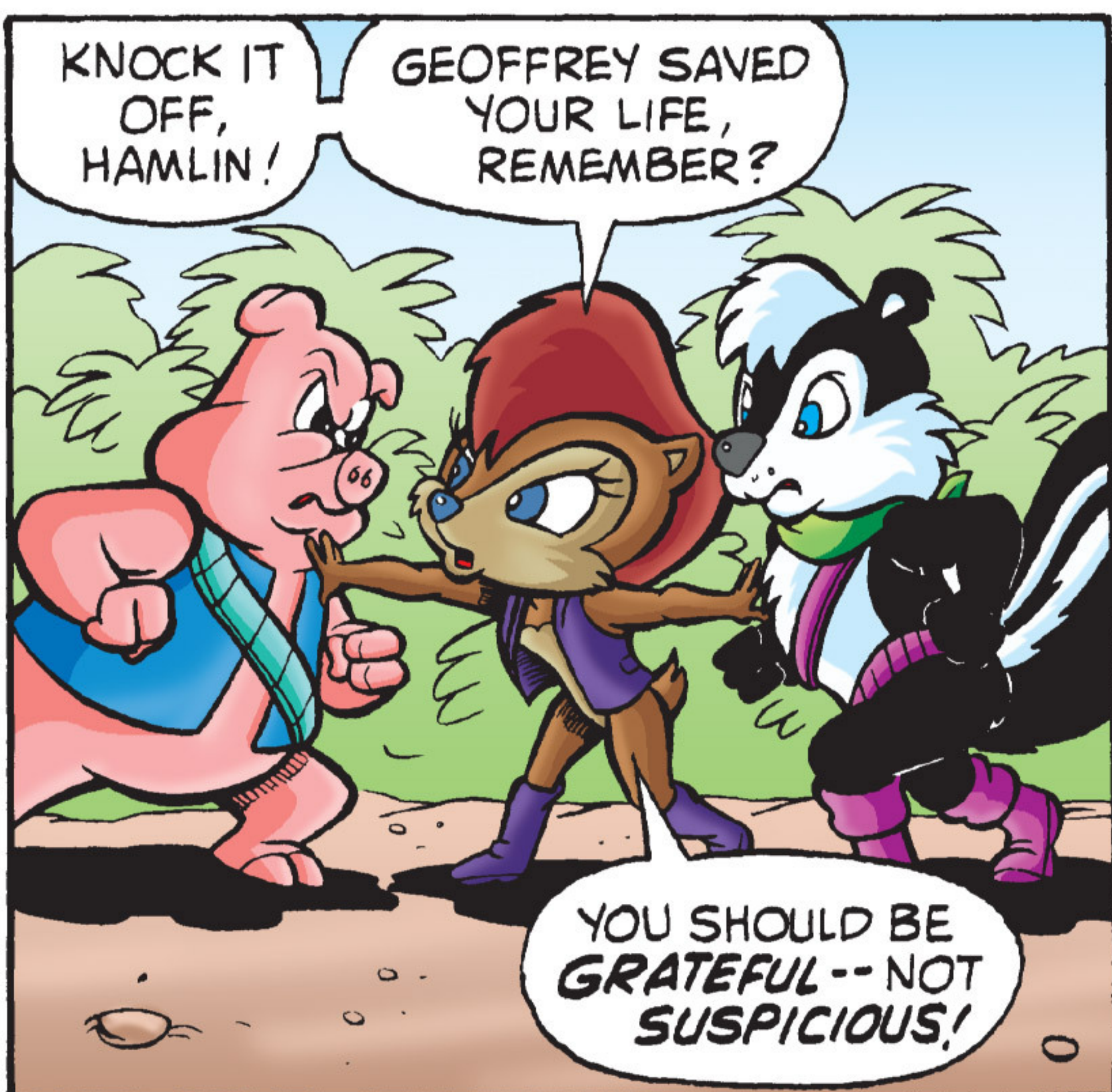
YOU CAN NEVER BE *TOO* CAREFUL ABOUT WHERE YOU STEP-- OR WHO YOU *TRUST*!

CAN'T SAY I MUCH CARE FOR YOUR *TONE*, PIG FOOT!



WELL, I DON'T MUCH CARE FOR YOUR *FACE*, STRIPES!

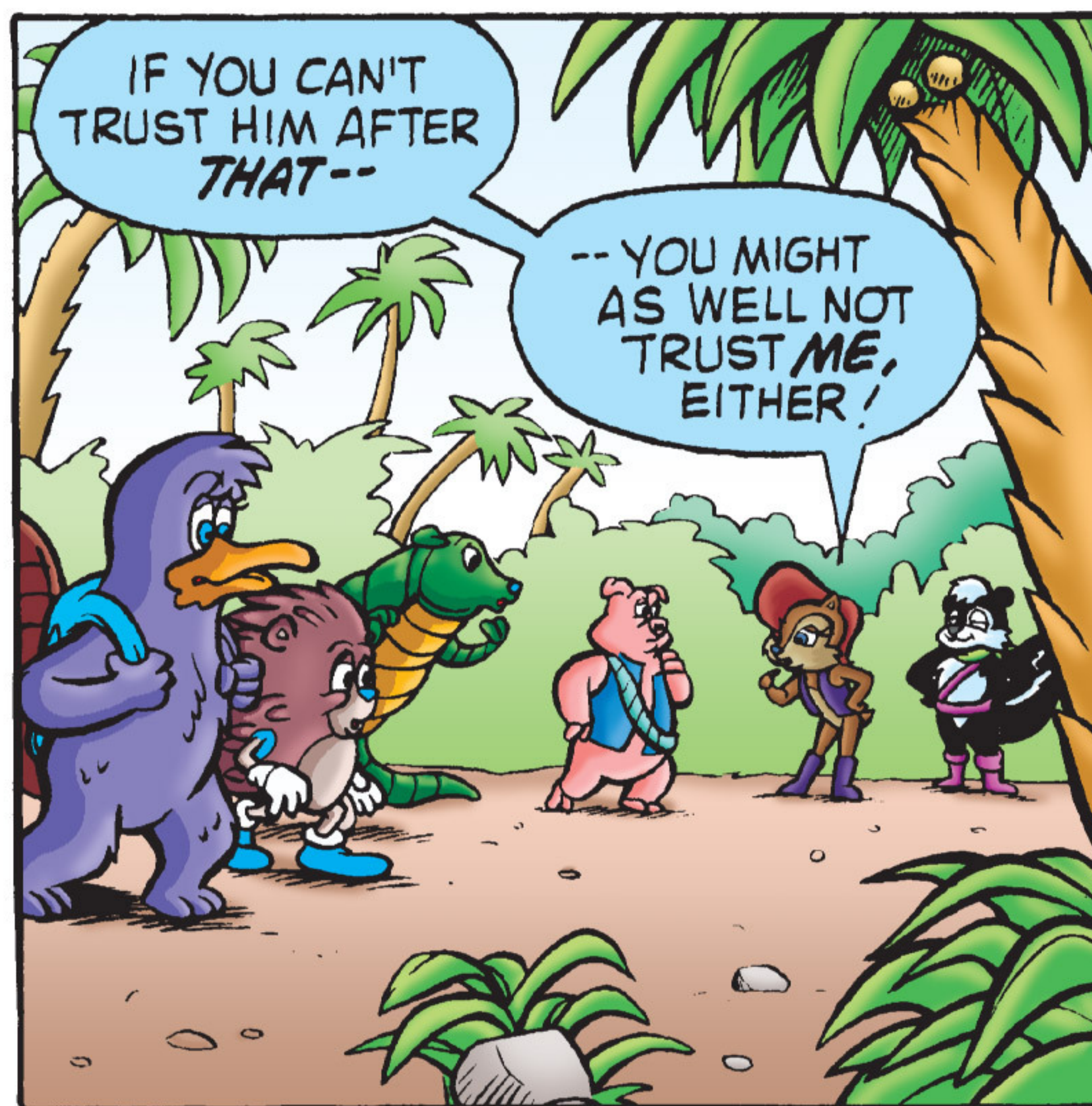
SO I GUESS THAT MAKES US EVEN!



KNOCK IT OFF, HAMLIN!

GEOFFREY SAVED YOUR LIFE, REMEMBER?

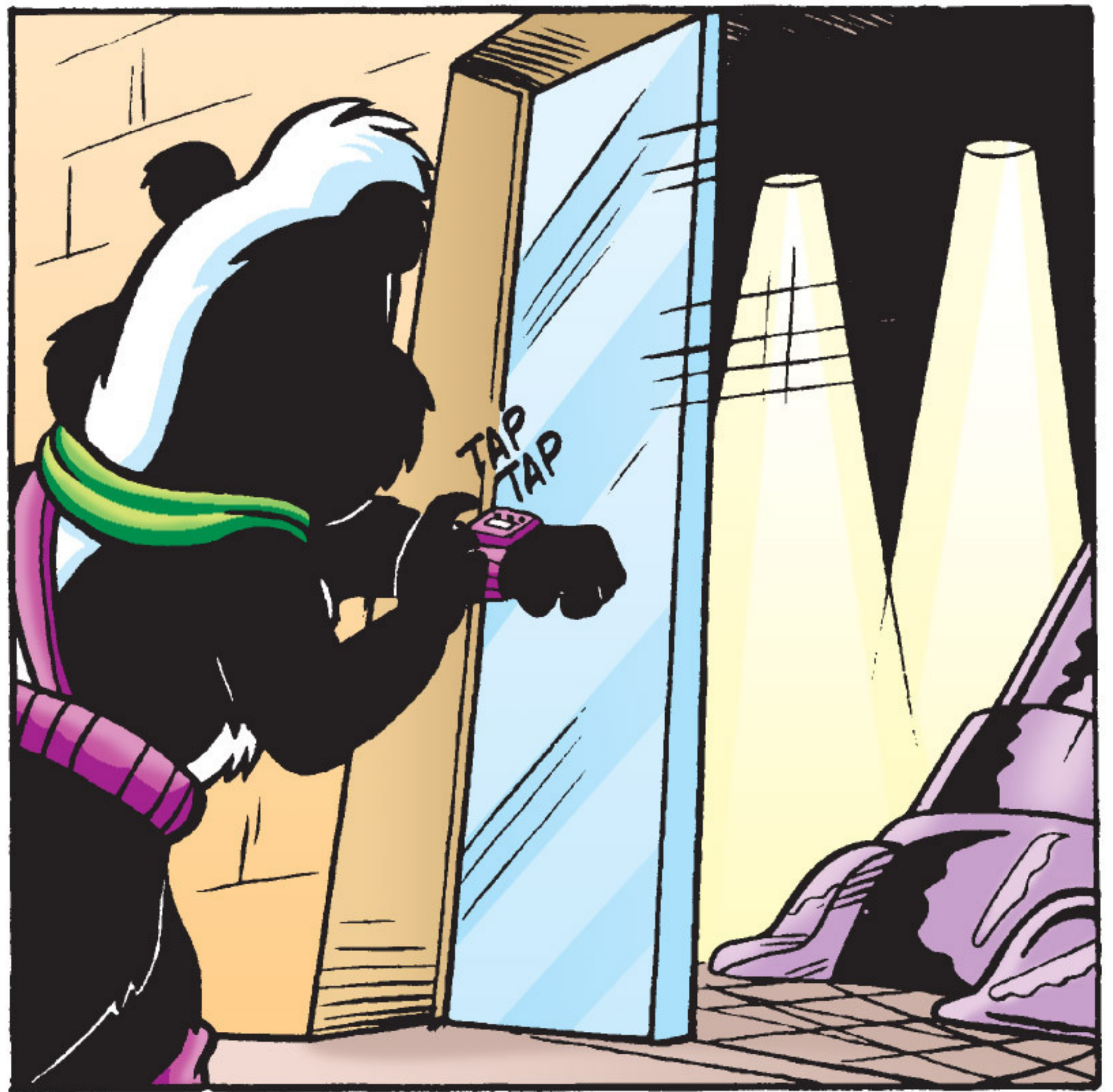
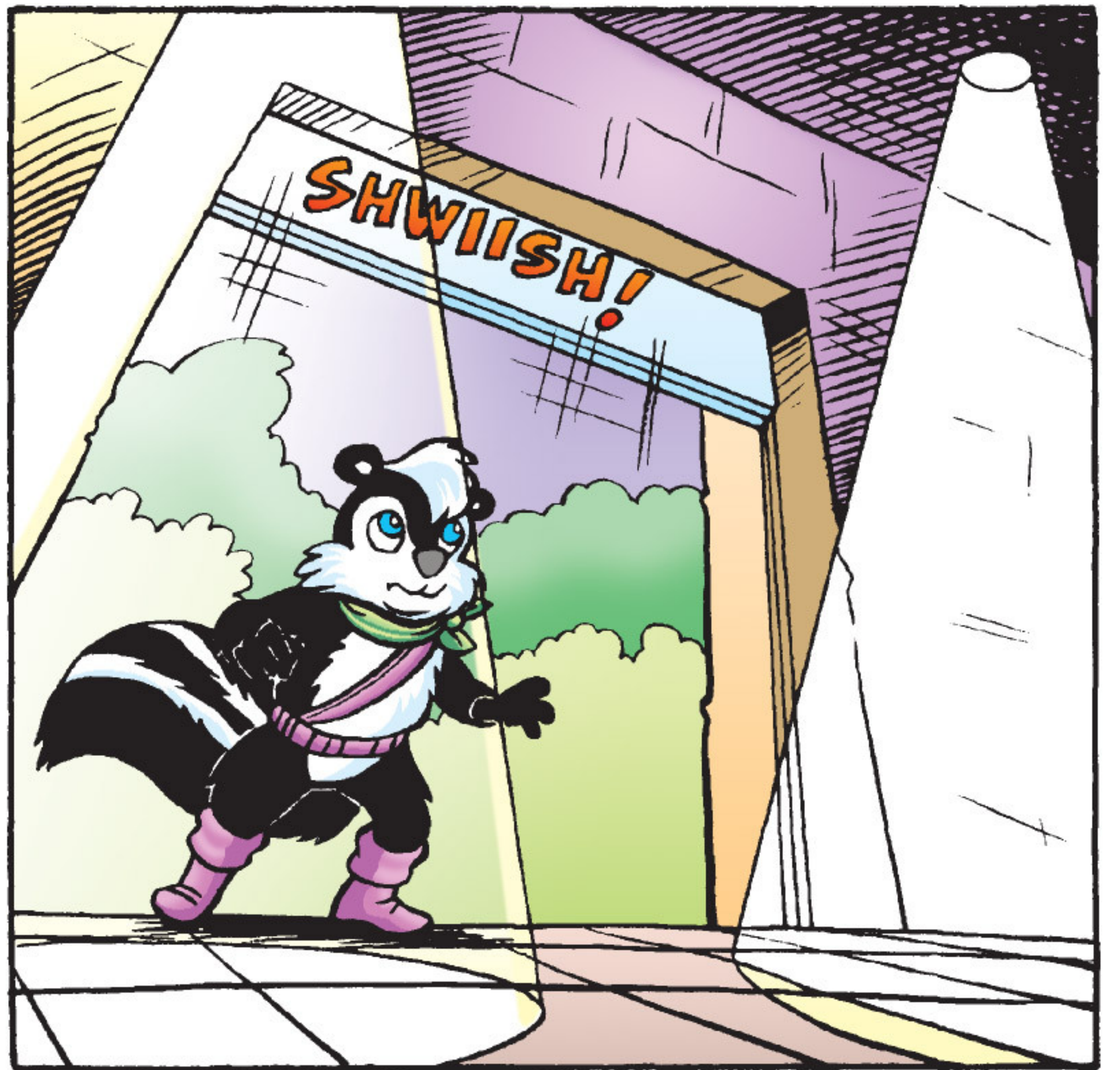
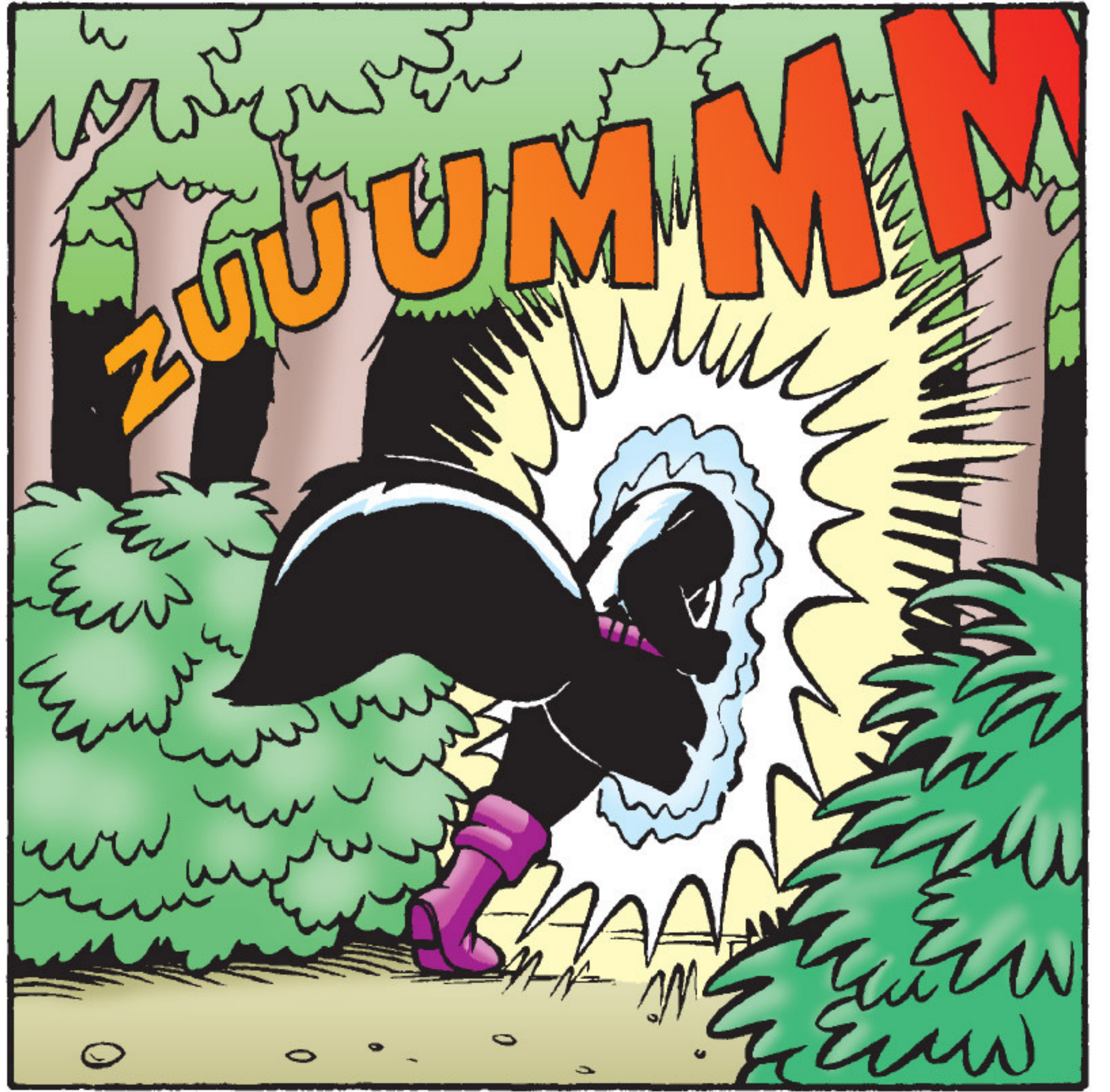
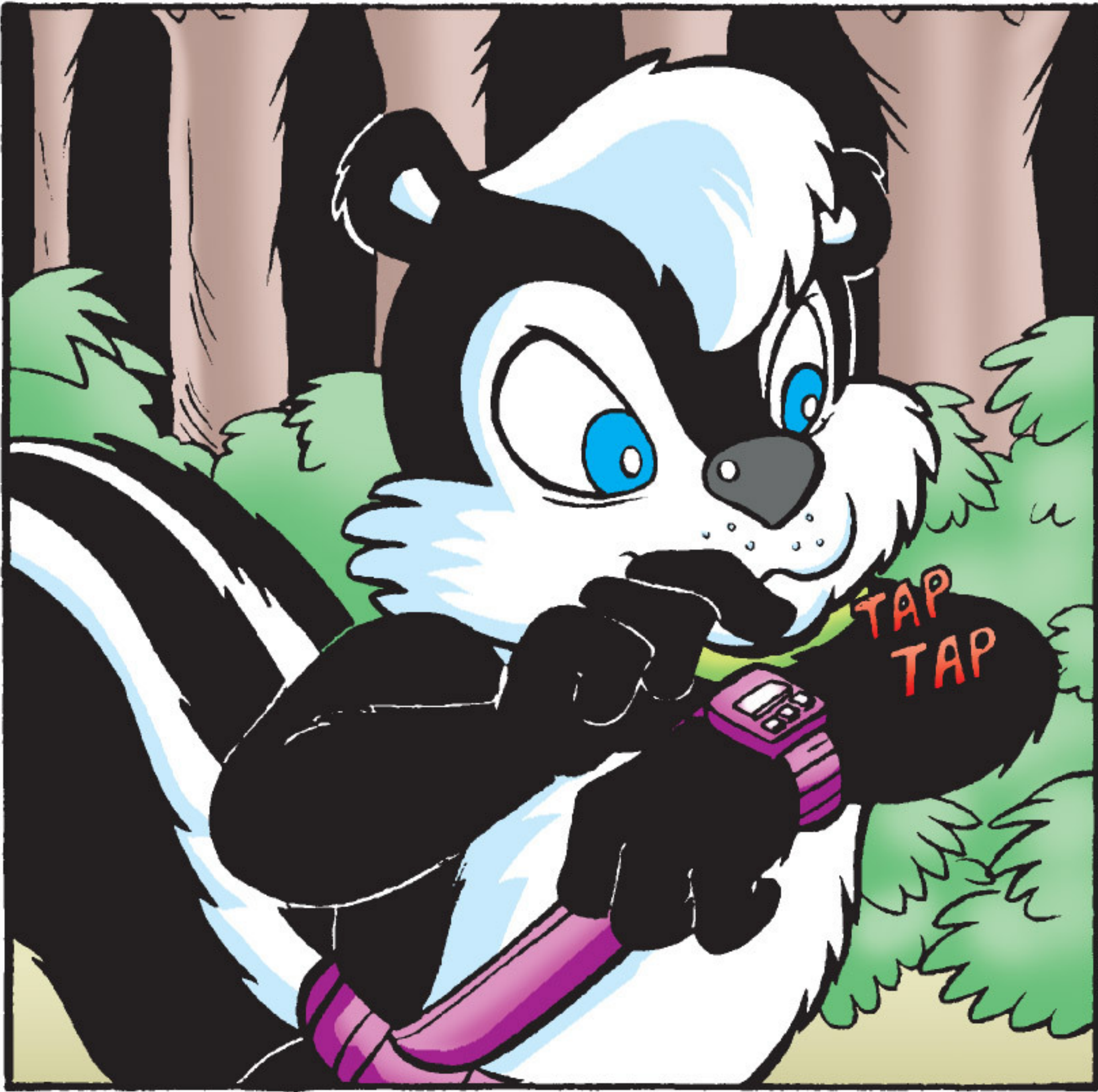
YOU SHOULD BE *GRATEFUL*-- NOT *SUSPICIOUS*!

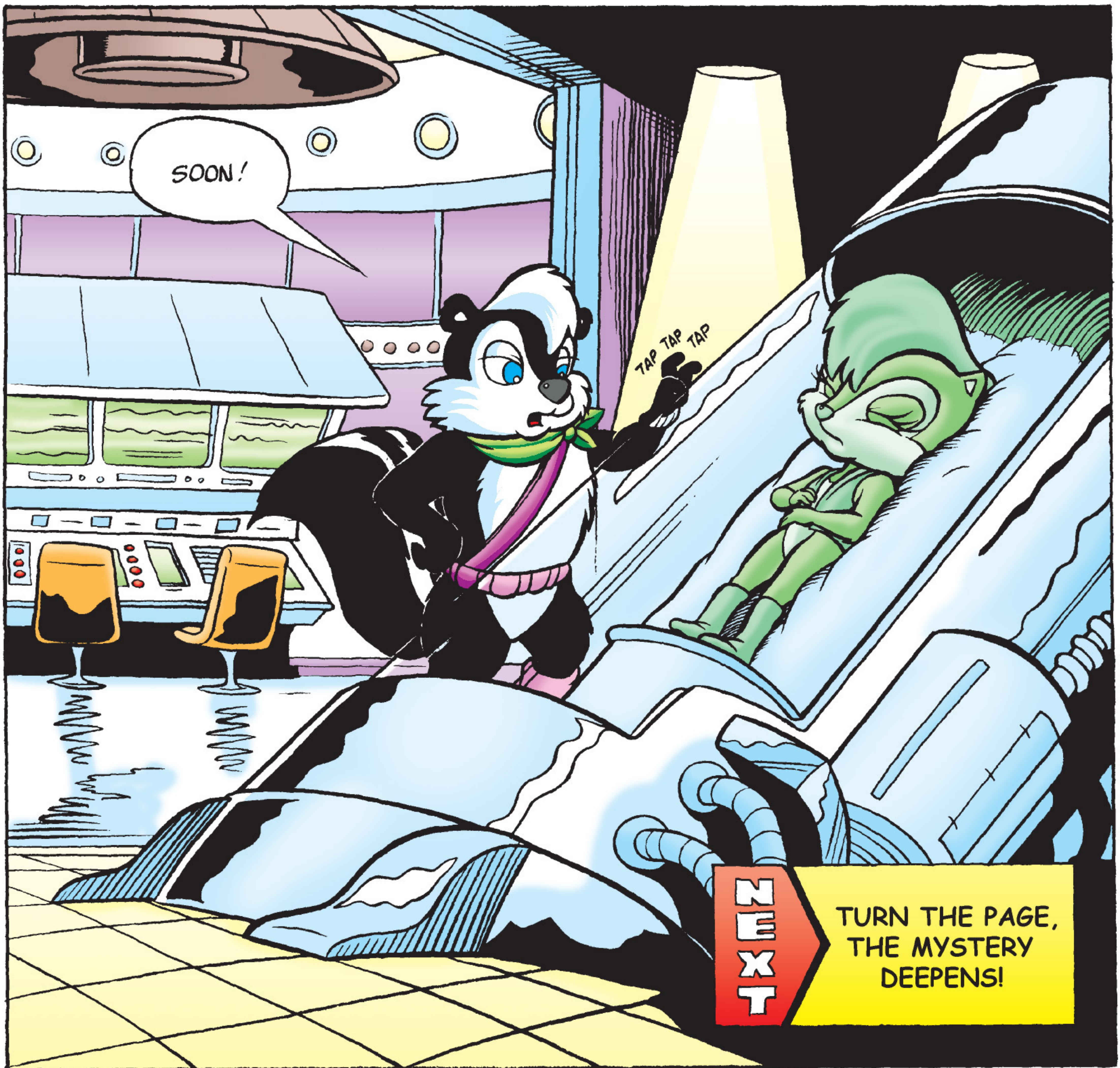
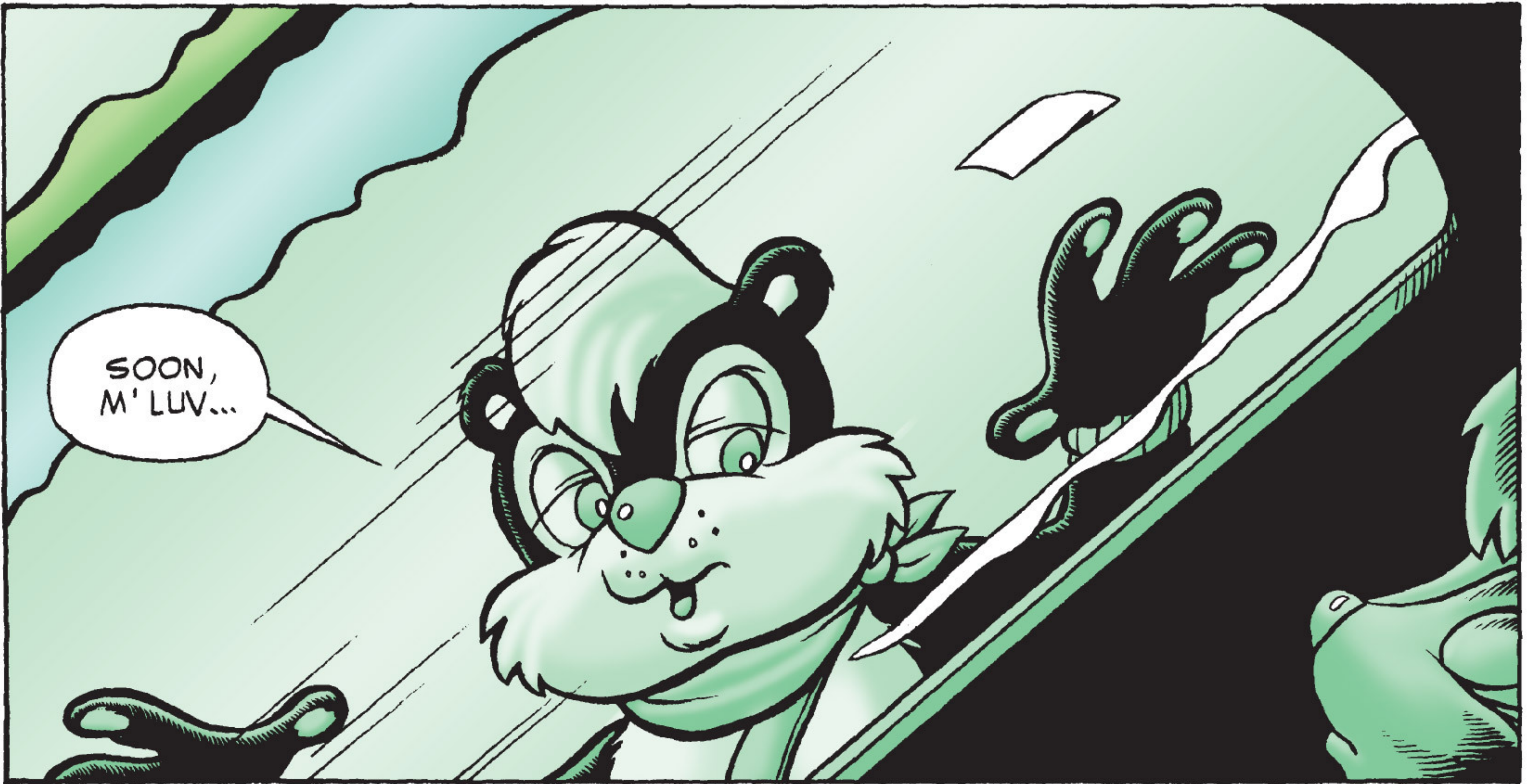


IF YOU CAN'T TRUST HIM AFTER *THAT*--

-- YOU MIGHT AS WELL NOT TRUST *ME*, EITHER!









SONIC™ THE HEDGEHOG'S
TEAMMATE, PRINCESS SALLY
STARRING IN HER OWN
ACTION-PACKED
MINI-SERIES!

Archie
ADVENTURE
SERIES
NO.2
MAY \$1.50

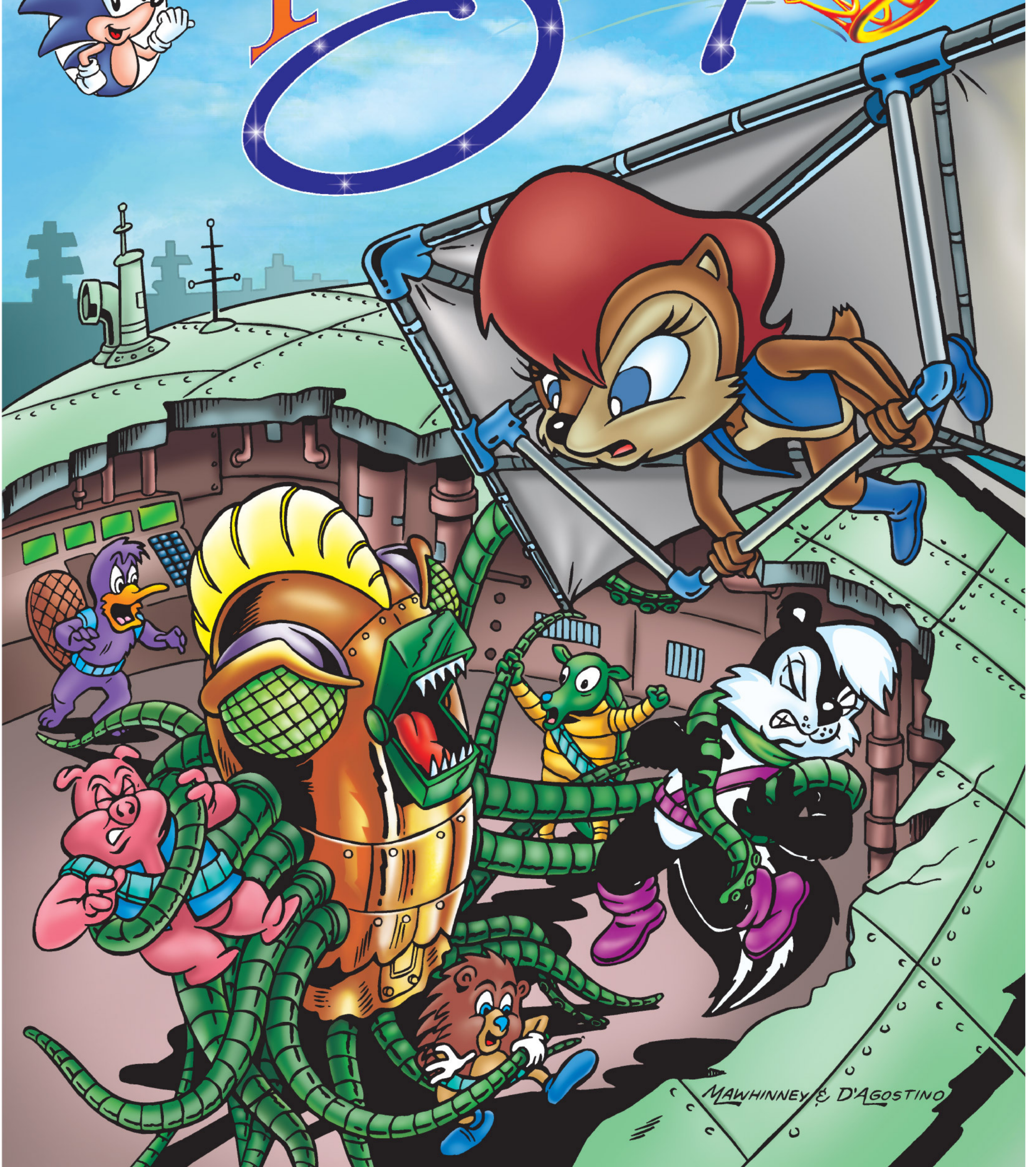


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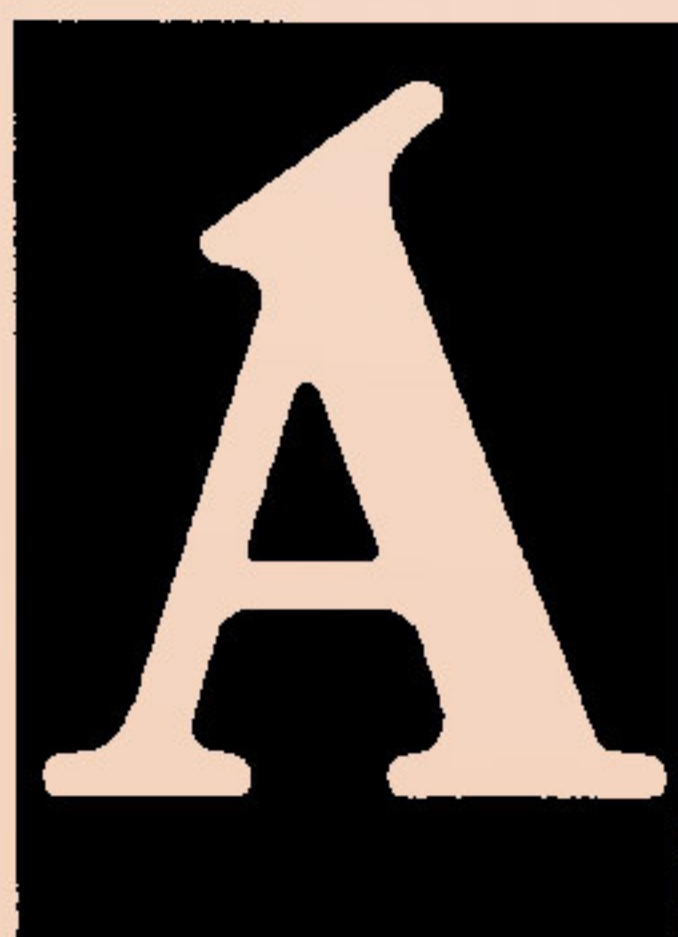


SONIC THE HEDGEHOG PRESENTS:

PRINCESS Sally™



MAWHINNEY & D'AGOSTINO



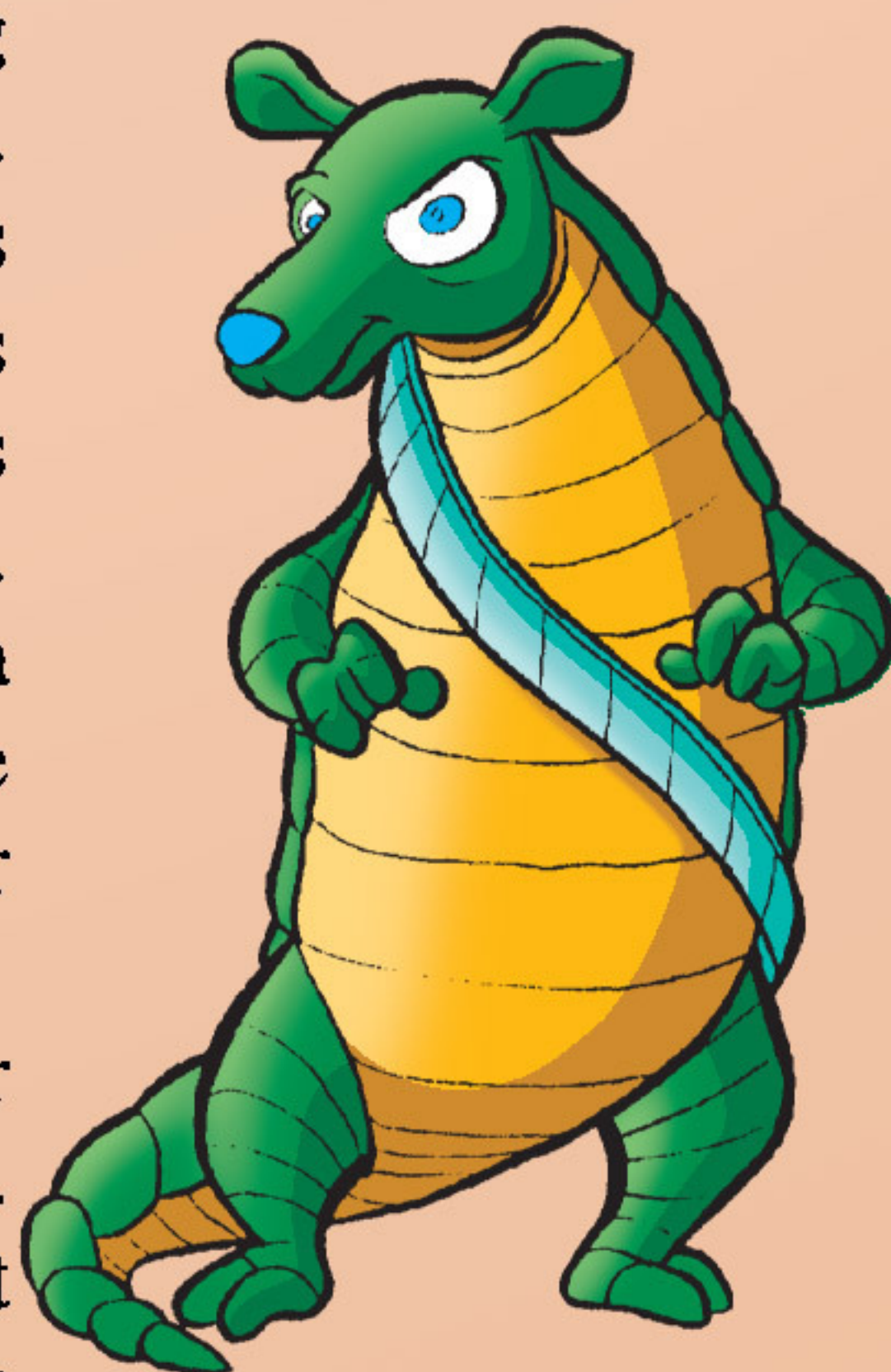
s the fight for freedom rages on, it has been one of **Princess Sally's** many obligations to select and recruit the soldiers of tomorrow, training them for the important tasks that lie ahead.

Gathering only the best and brightest young hopefuls from the citizenry of **Knothole Village**, the Princess has assembled a core team of four members whose main purpose is to be the second vanguard in the struggle to overthrow the evil genius **Dr. Ivo Robotnik**.

Foremost of the group is **Hamlin**. Quick to anger, slow to forgive, he is often the first to leap into action, but usually the last to look where he's going. Next is **Penelope**. Fiercely loyal to her friends and comrades, her love for all animal kind is the driving force in her personal fight against tyranny. **Arlo**, cheerful and courageous, will always put the needs of his teammates ahead of his own, regardless of whatever personal costs it might entail. Finally, there is **Dylan**. With the heart of a warrior and soul of a poet, he never mistakes the forest for the trees and functions as the spiritual anchor for his colleagues.

Together, there is no challenge, dare or risk these adventurers will not accept. Embracing the philosophy that "It won't get done until we get it done," they strive each and every day to live up to that ideal, working toward restoring **Mobotropolis** to the paradise it once was.

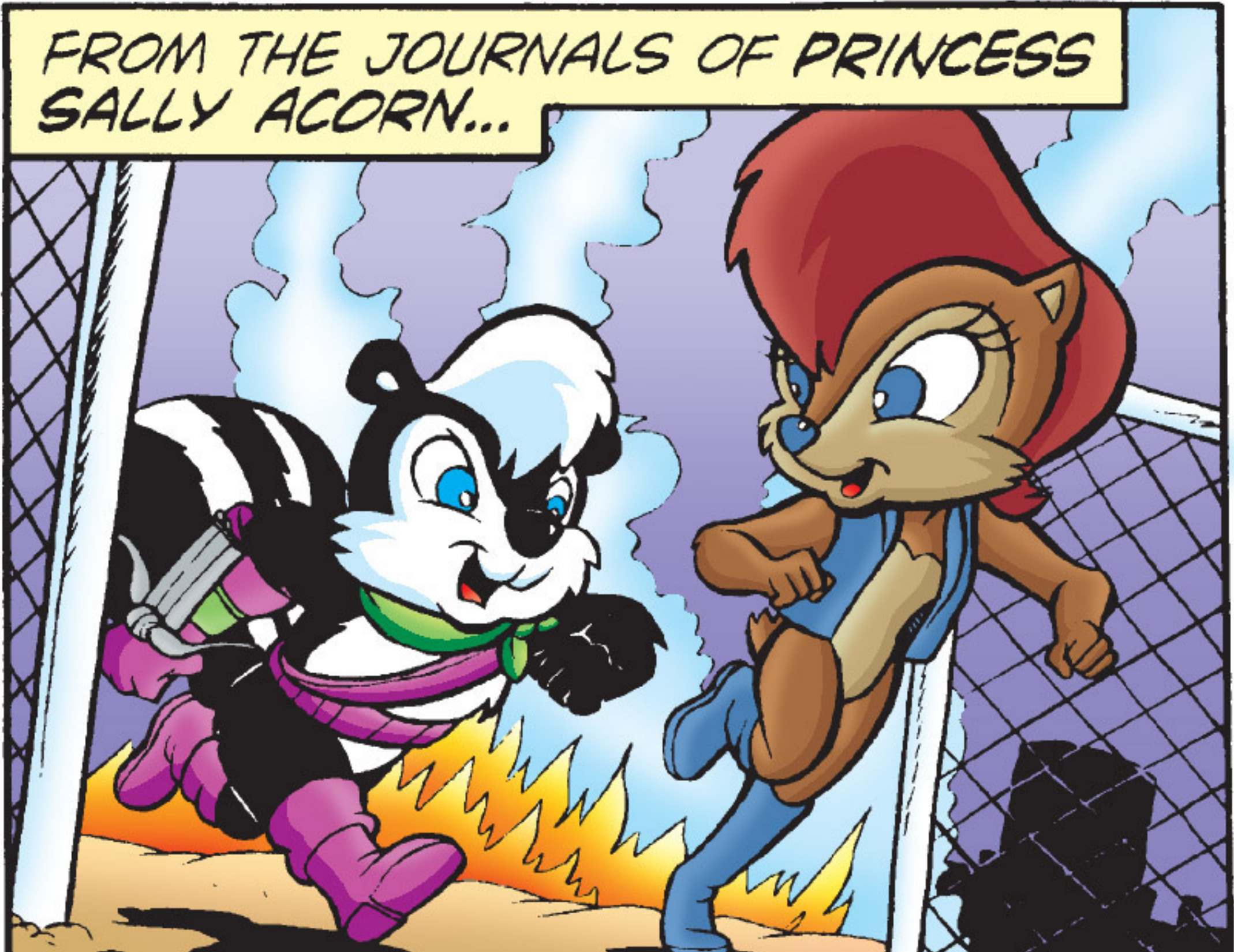
Untested and untried, they now embark upon a mission which shall change their lives forever... ✕



SONIC THE HEDGEHOG'S TEAMMATE,
PRINCESS SALLY
LEADS A BAND OF FREEDOM FIGHTING
CADETS WHILE FACING AN
UNSEEN FOE...

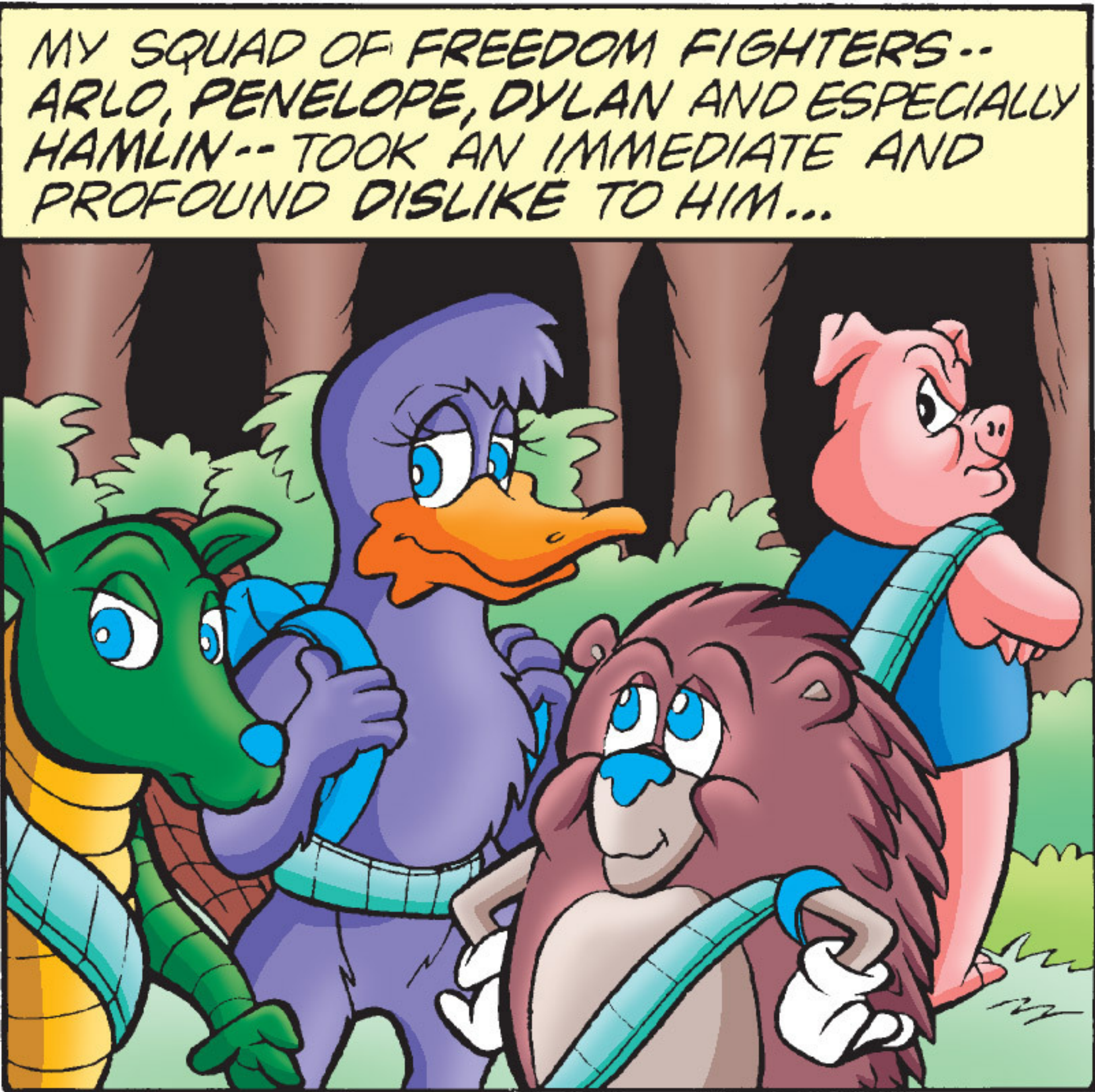


FROM THE JOURNALS OF PRINCESS SALLY ACORN...

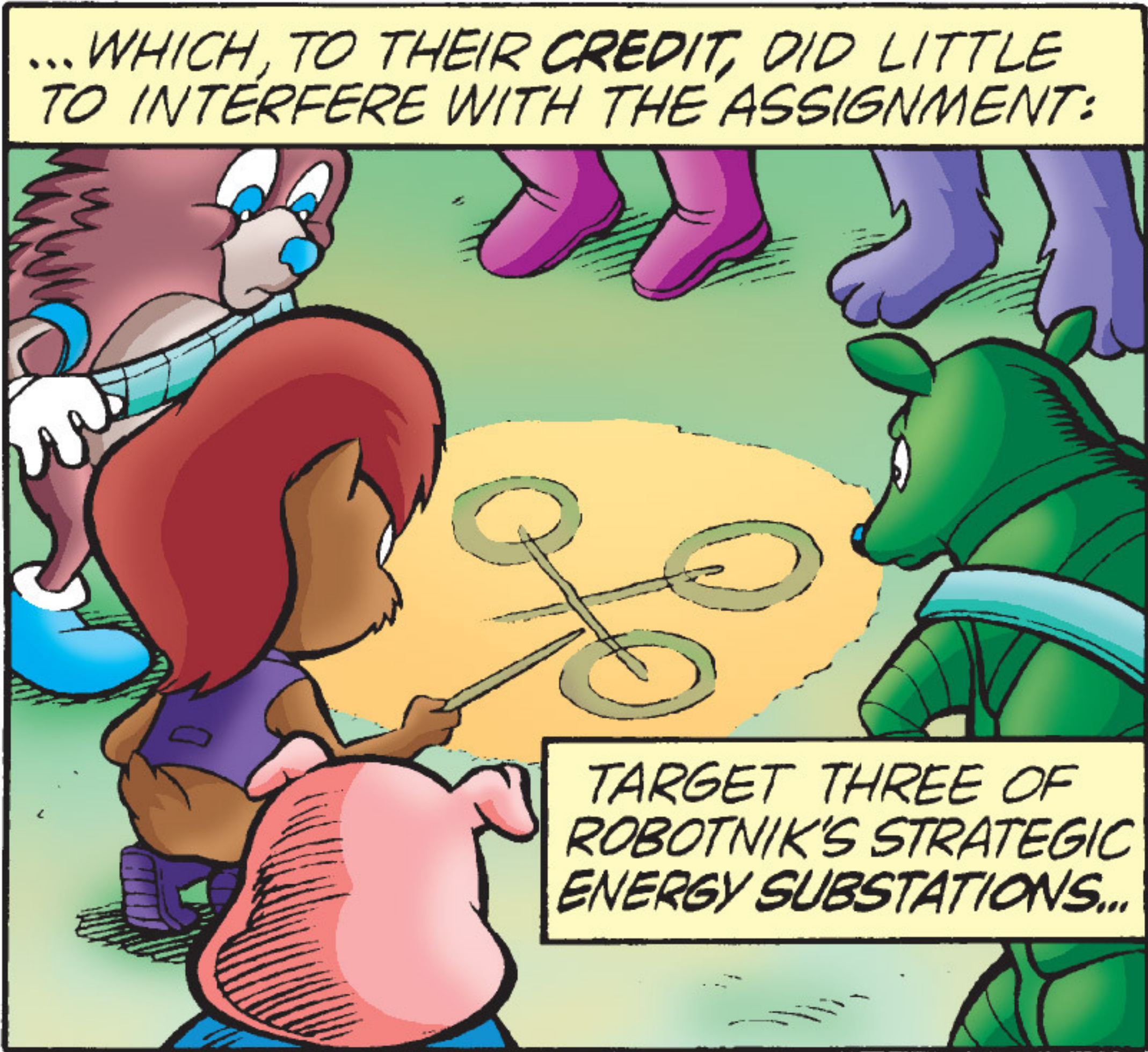


THINGS HAVE CERTAINLY BEEN--INTERESTING--SINCE I LINKED UP WITH FORMER SECRET SERVICE AGENT AND REBEL UNDERGROUND LEADER GEOFFREY ST. JOHN!

MY SQUAD OF FREEDOM FIGHTERS--ARLO, PENELOPE, DYLAN AND ESPECIALLY HAMLIN--TOOK AN IMMEDIATE AND PROFOUND DISLIKE TO HIM...

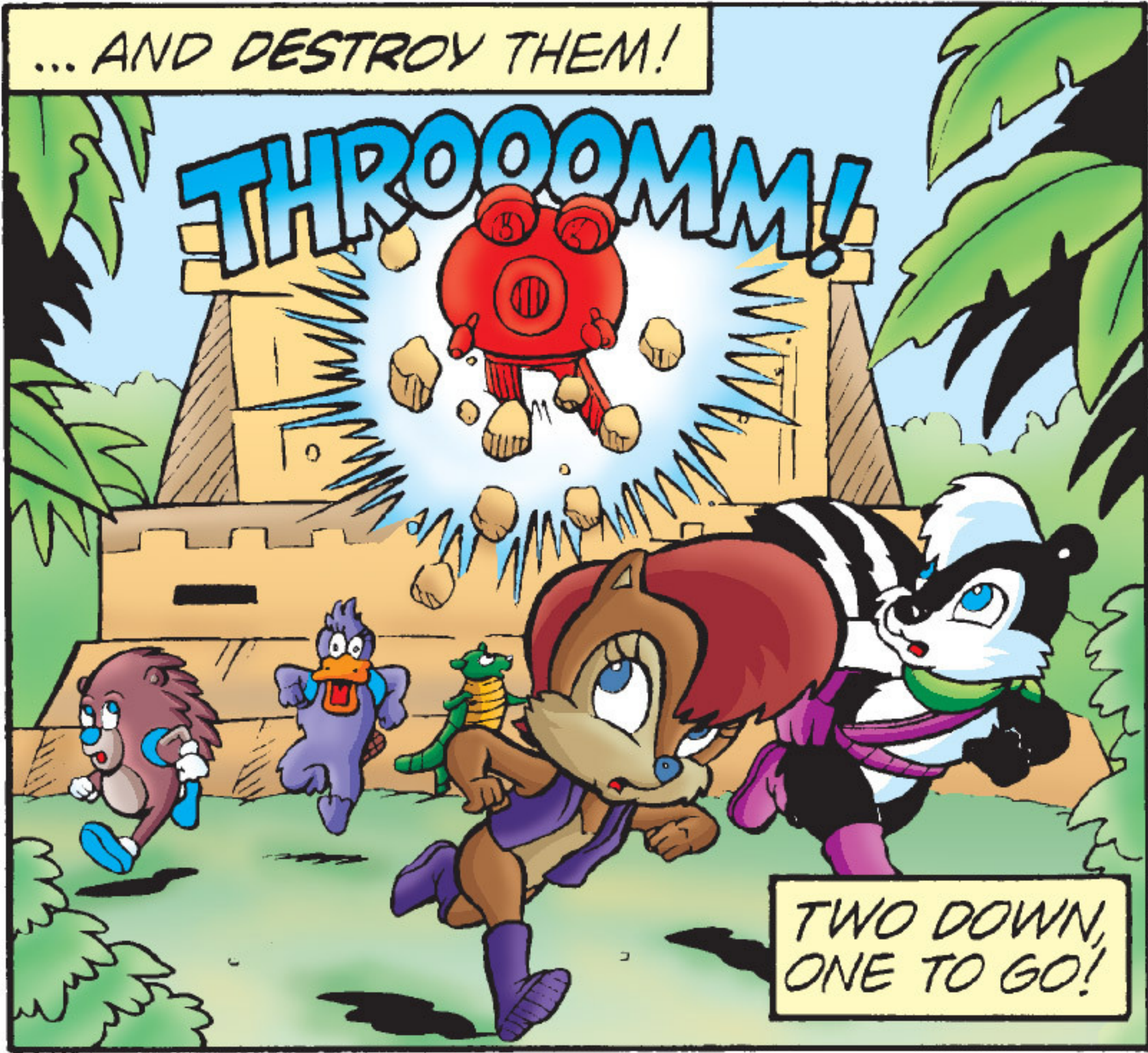


...WHICH, TO THEIR CREDIT, DID LITTLE TO INTERFERE WITH THE ASSIGNMENT:



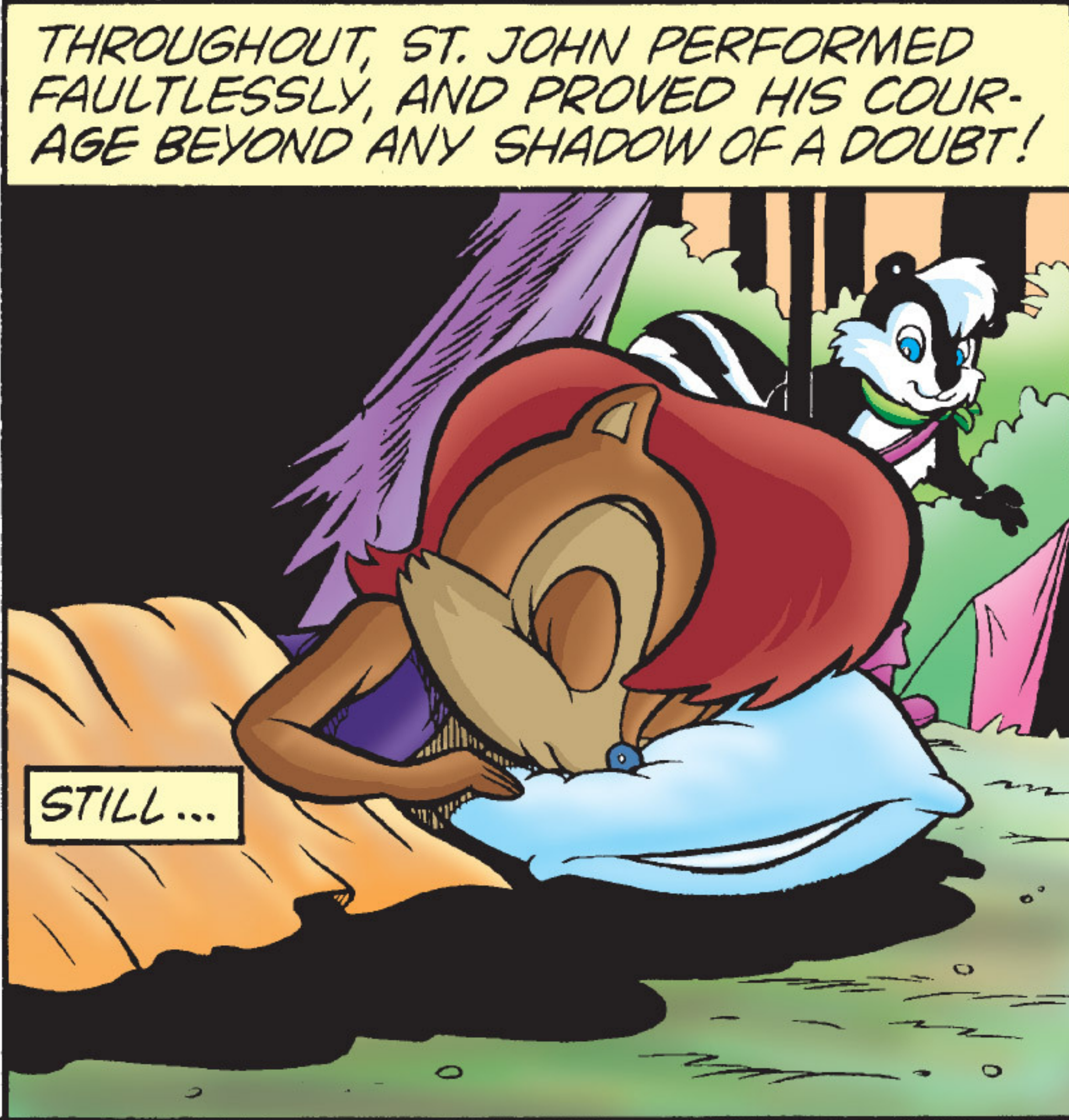
TARGET THREE OF ROBOTNIK'S STRATEGIC ENERGY SUBSTATIONS...

...AND DESTROY THEM!



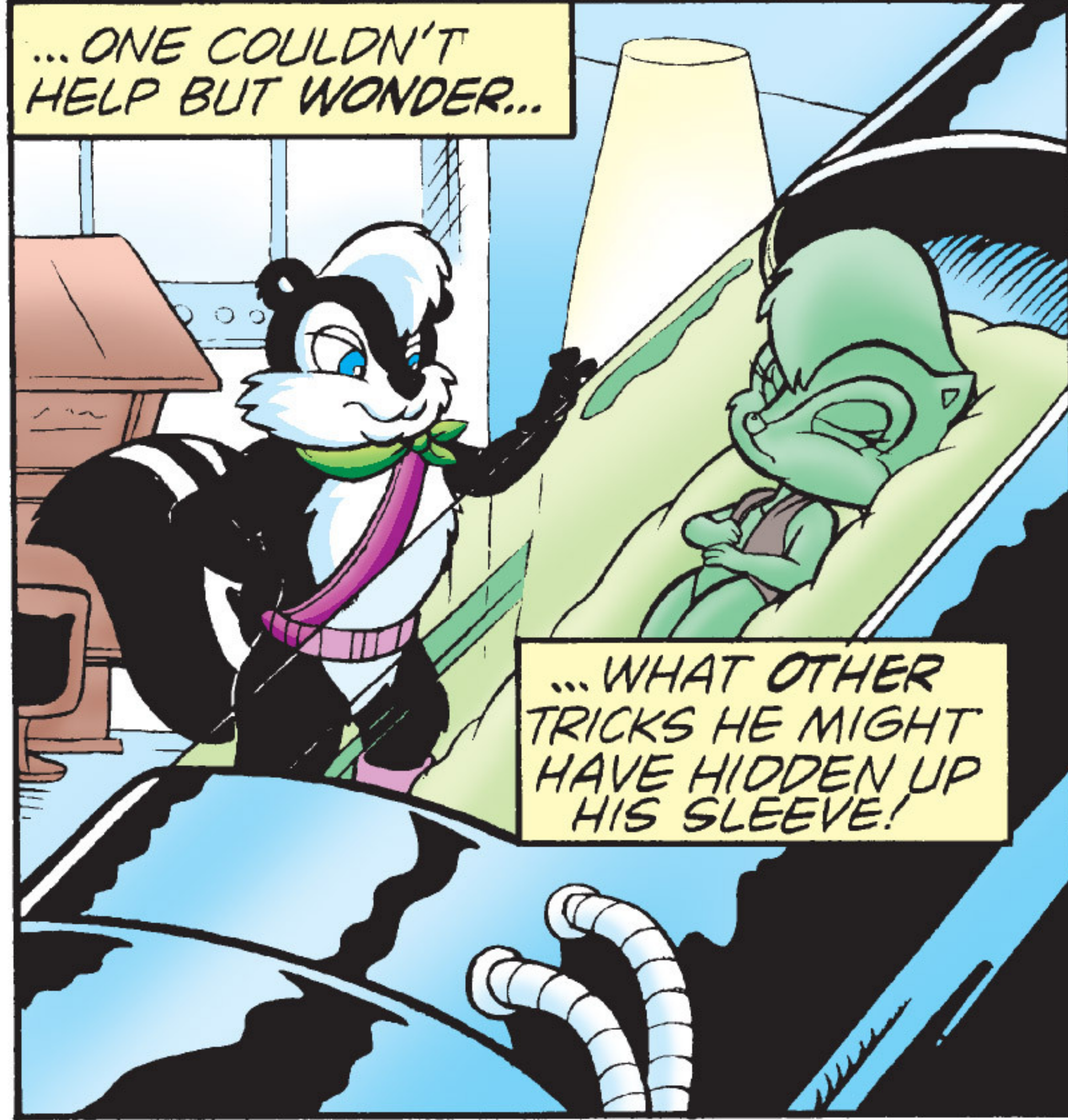
TWO DOWN, ONE TO GO!

THROUGHOUT, ST. JOHN PERFORMED FAULTLESSLY, AND PROVED HIS COURAGE BEYOND ANY SHADOW OF A DOUBT!



STILL...

...ONE COULDN'T HELP BUT WONDER...



...WHAT OTHER TRICKS HE MIGHT HAVE HIDDEN UP HIS SLEEVE!

PRINCESS

Sally™

"DEADLIEST OF THE SPECIES"

PART 2

YOU WANT
A PIECE OF ME,
PORKFACE?

WELL, MATE,
TAKE YOUR BEST
SHOT!

KLAKT!

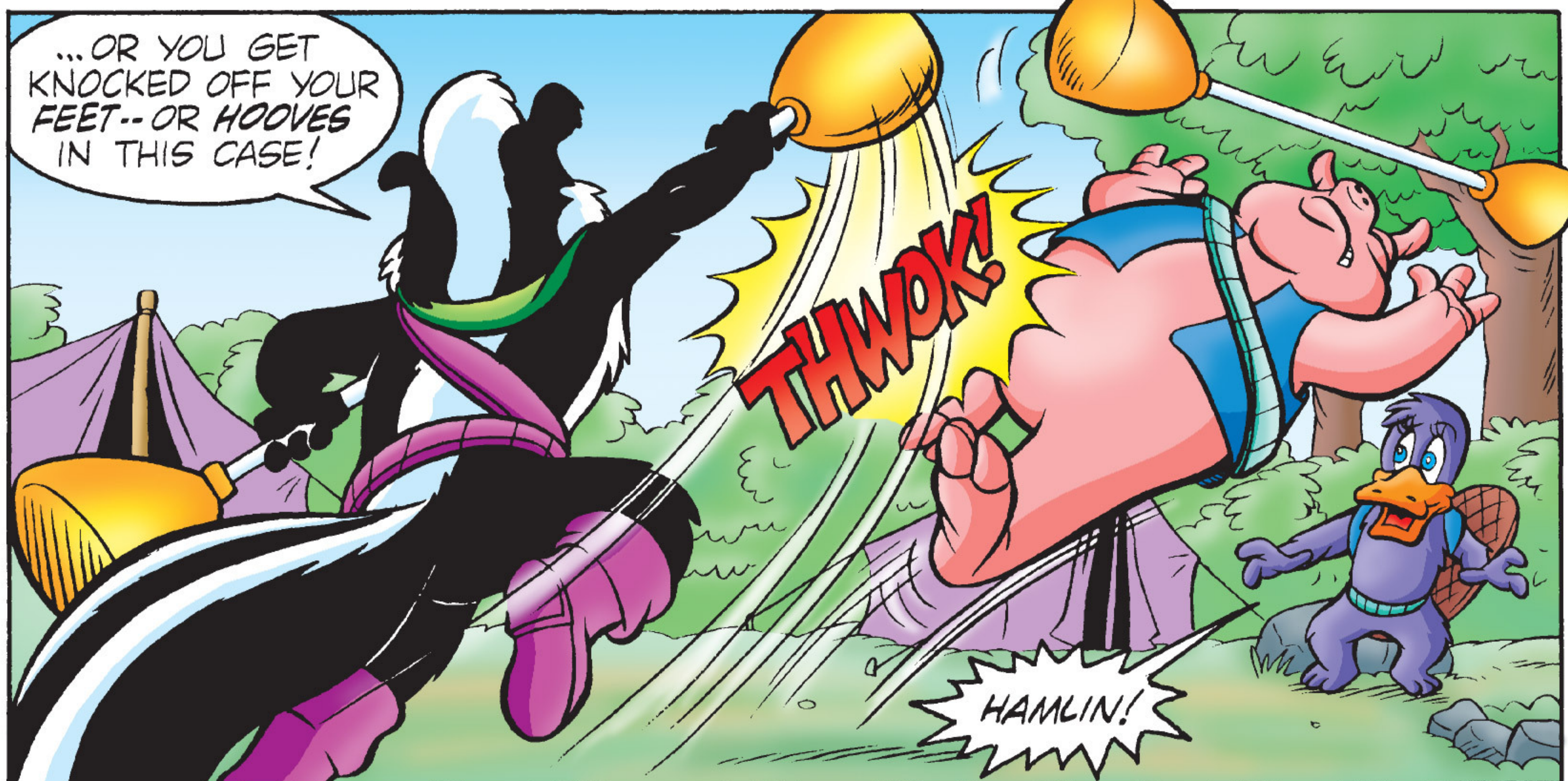
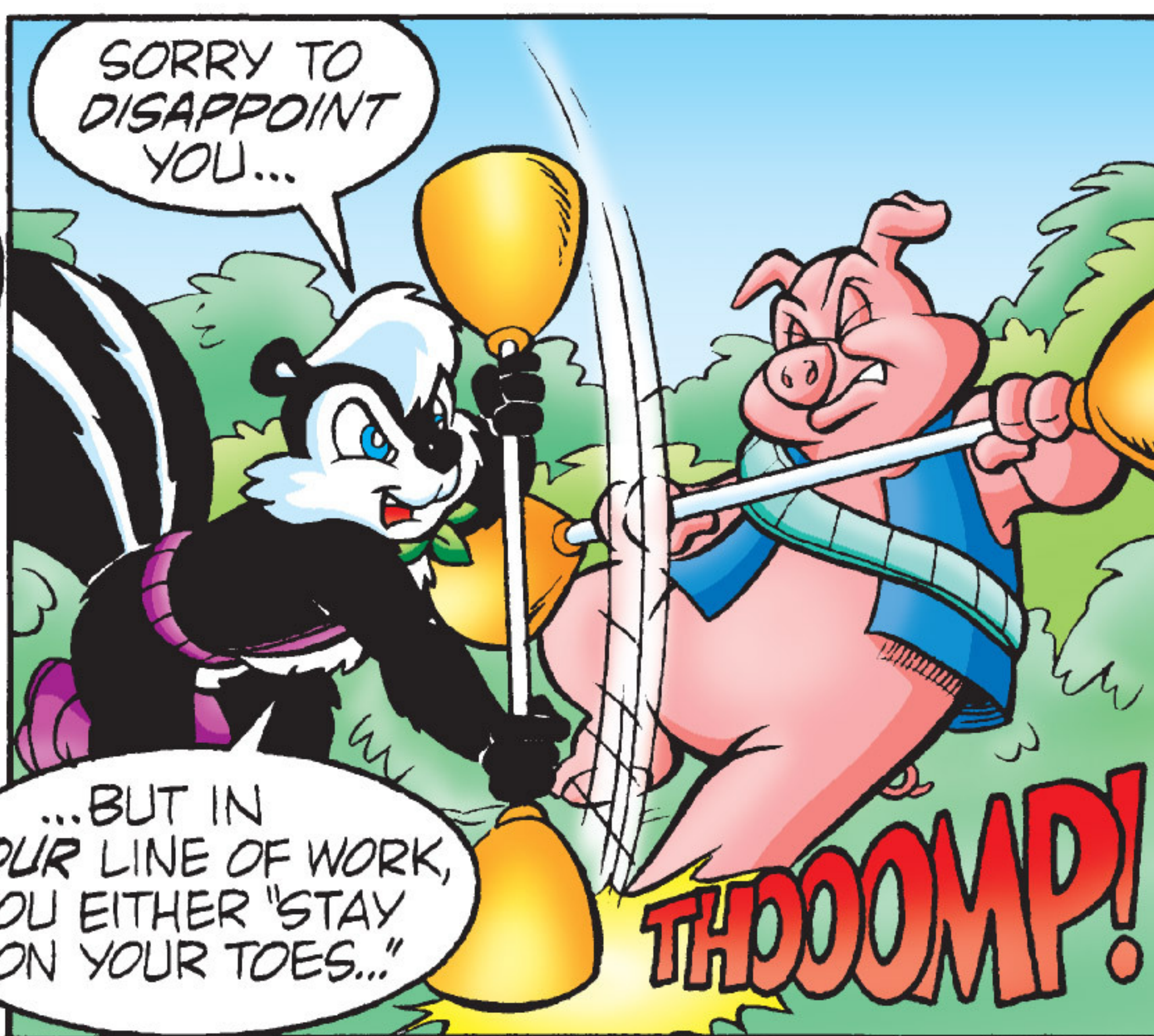
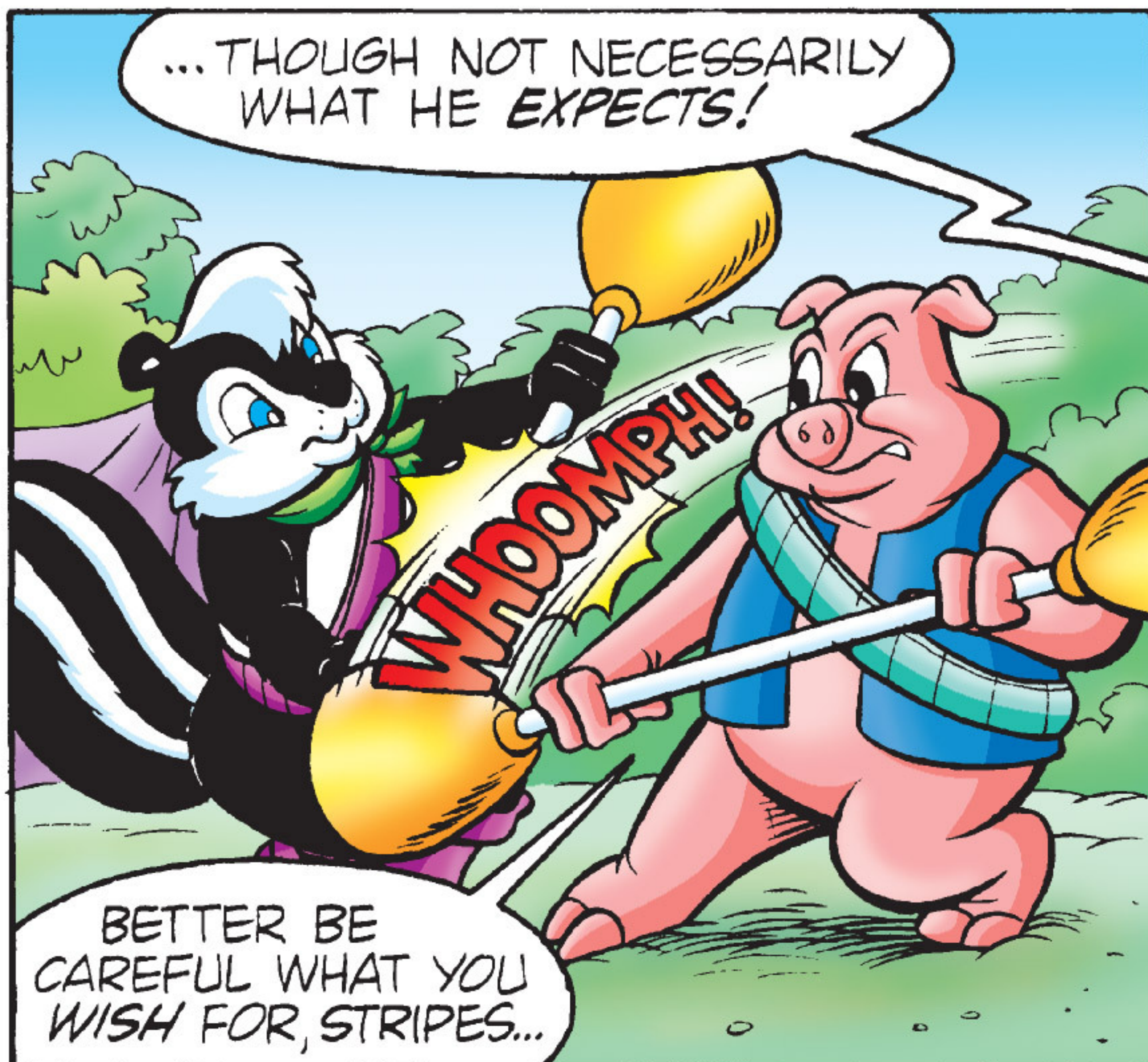
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CHILDISH, ARLO! SOMEONE
COULD GET HURT!

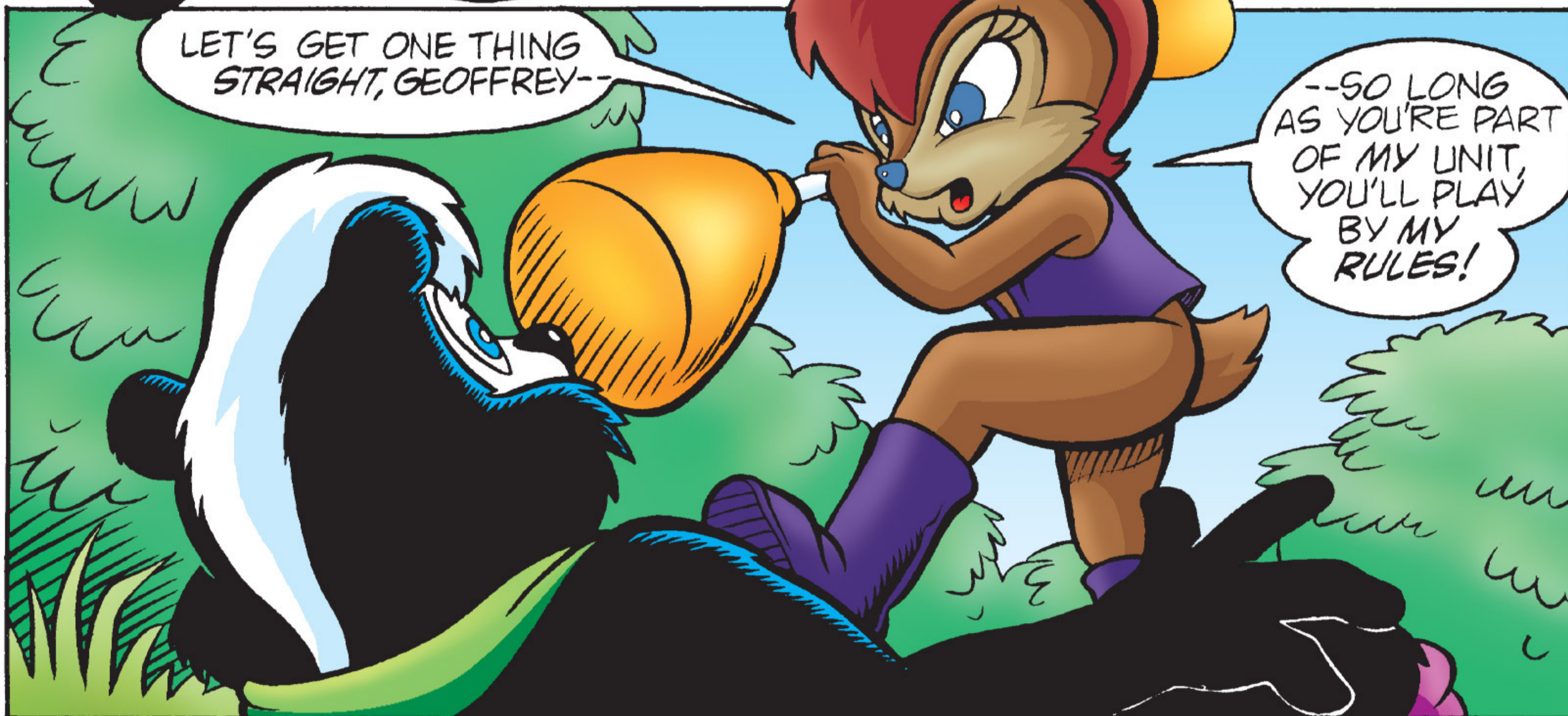
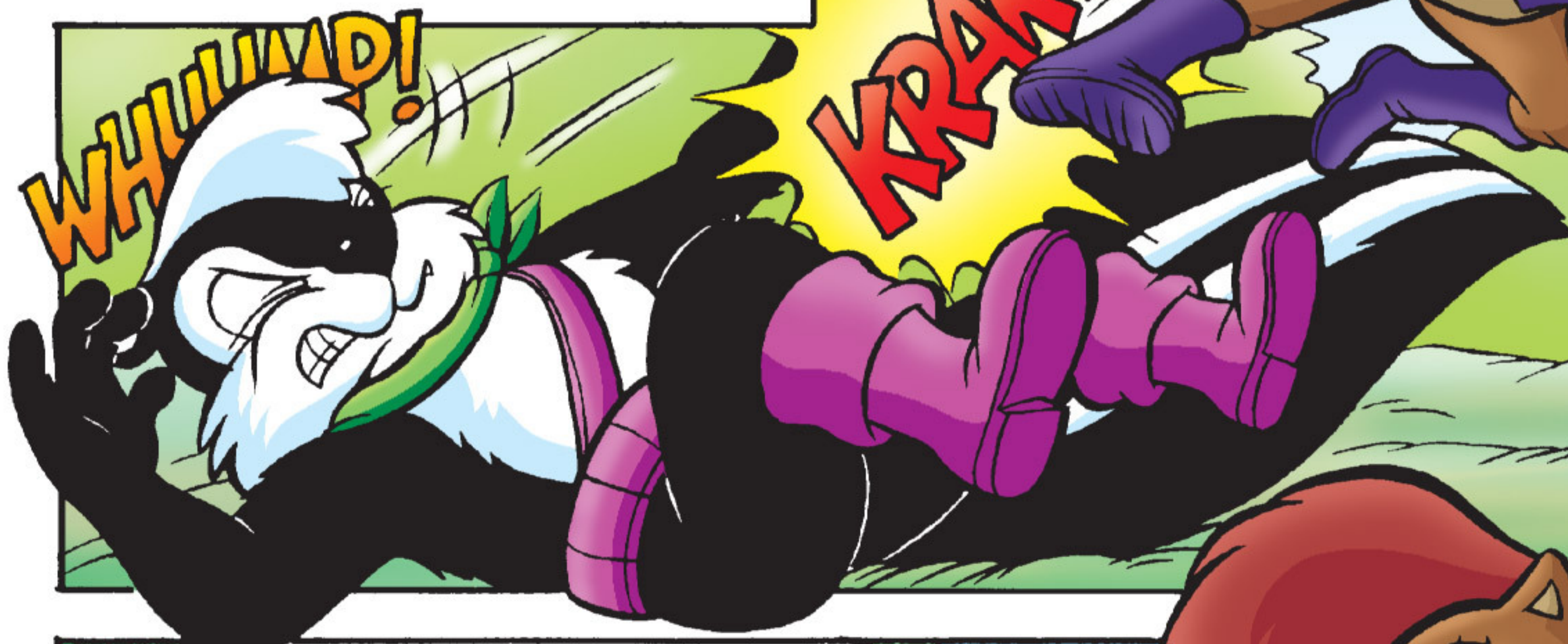
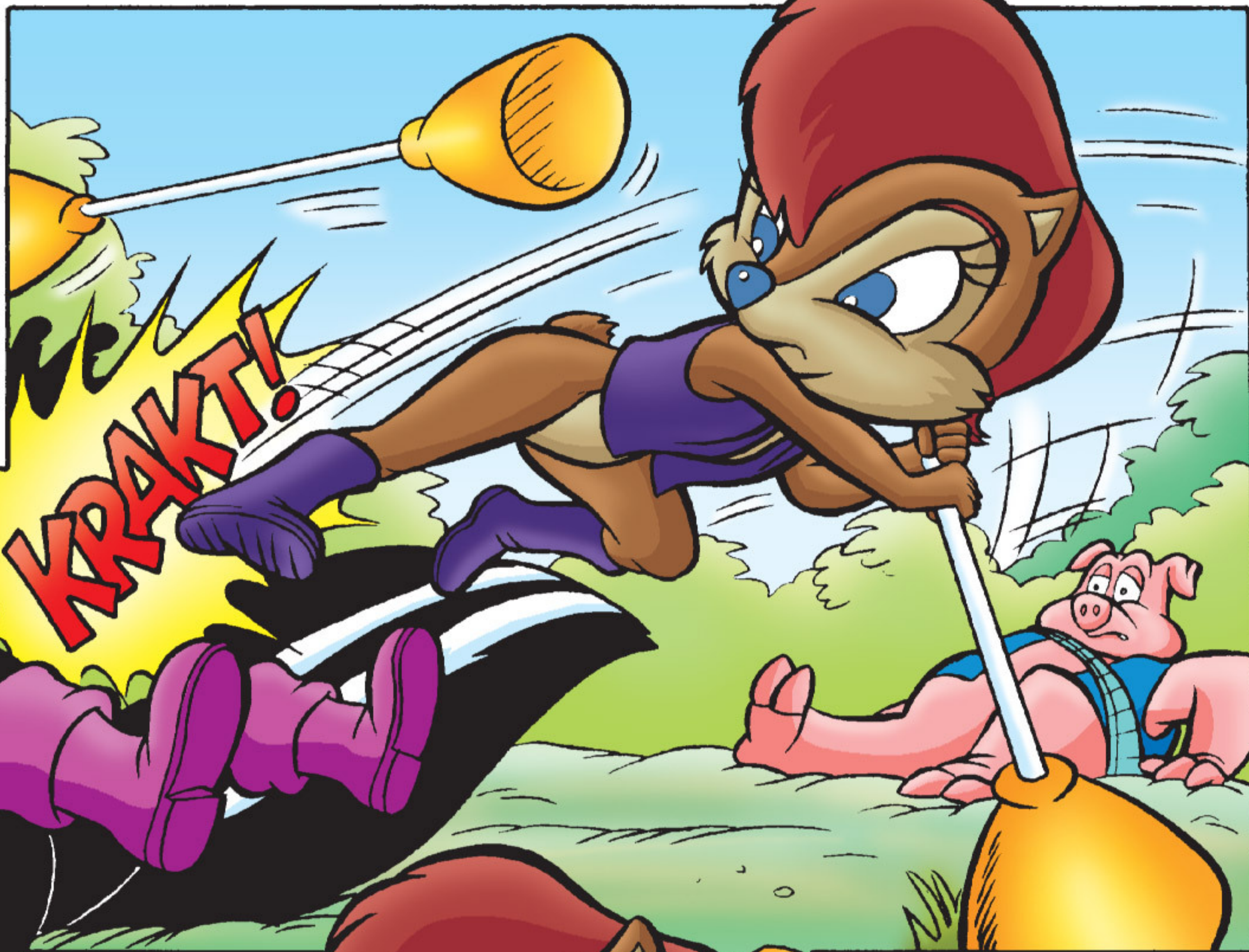
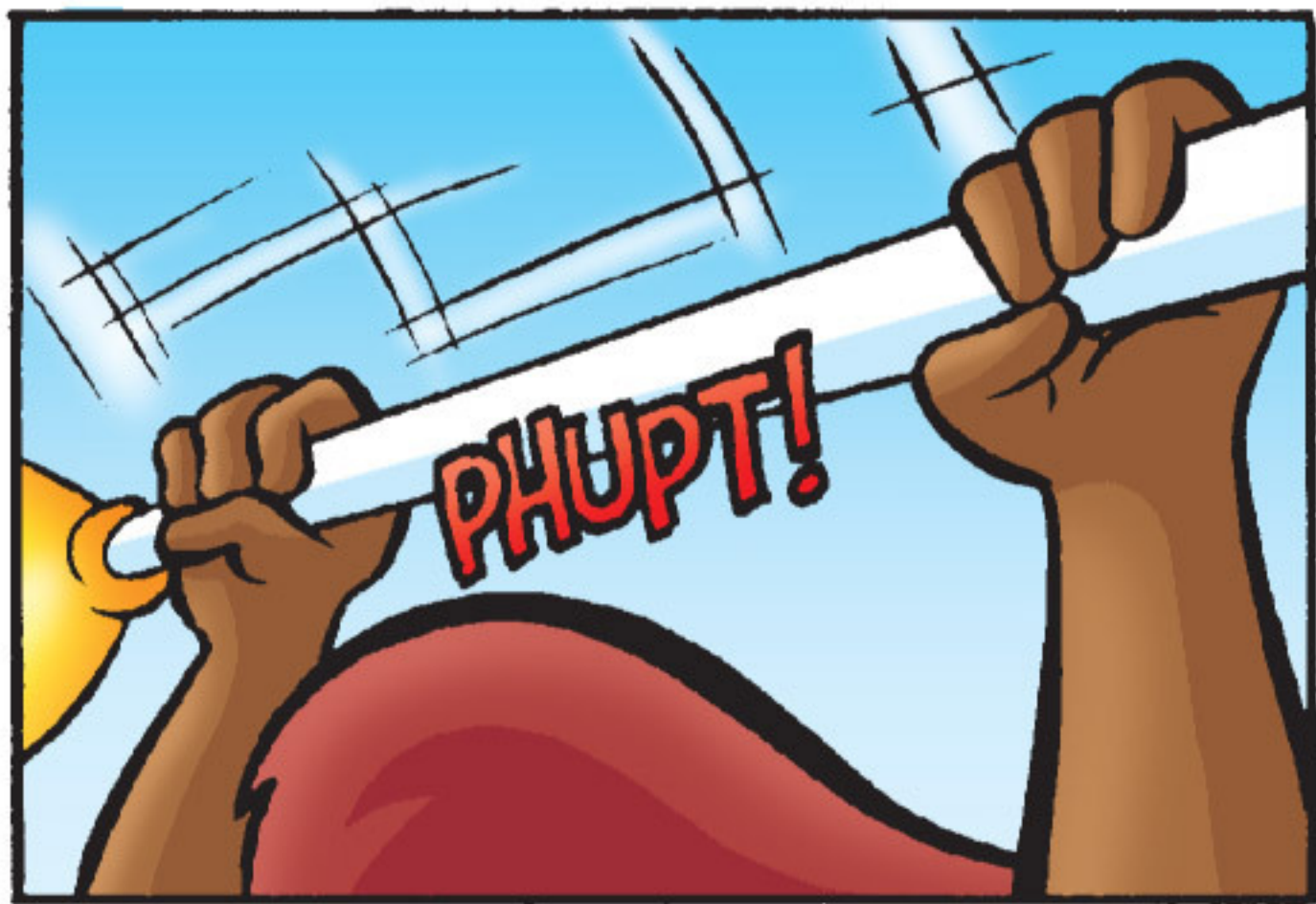
I DON'T
THINK EITHER ONE
OF THEM IS PAYING
ANY ATTENTION TO
US, PENELOPE!

THEY'RE
TOO BUSY
TRYING TO
BEAT EACH
OTHER'S
BRAINS
IN!

HAMLIN
CRAVED COMBAT
TRAINING--HOPEFULLY
HE'LL LEARN FROM
THE EXPERIENCE...

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LET'S GET ONE THING STRAIGHT, GEOFFREY--

--SO LONG AS YOU'RE PART OF MY UNIT, YOU'LL PLAY BY MY RULES!



WE FIGHT TOGETHER, AS A TEAM AGAINST ROBOTNIK...

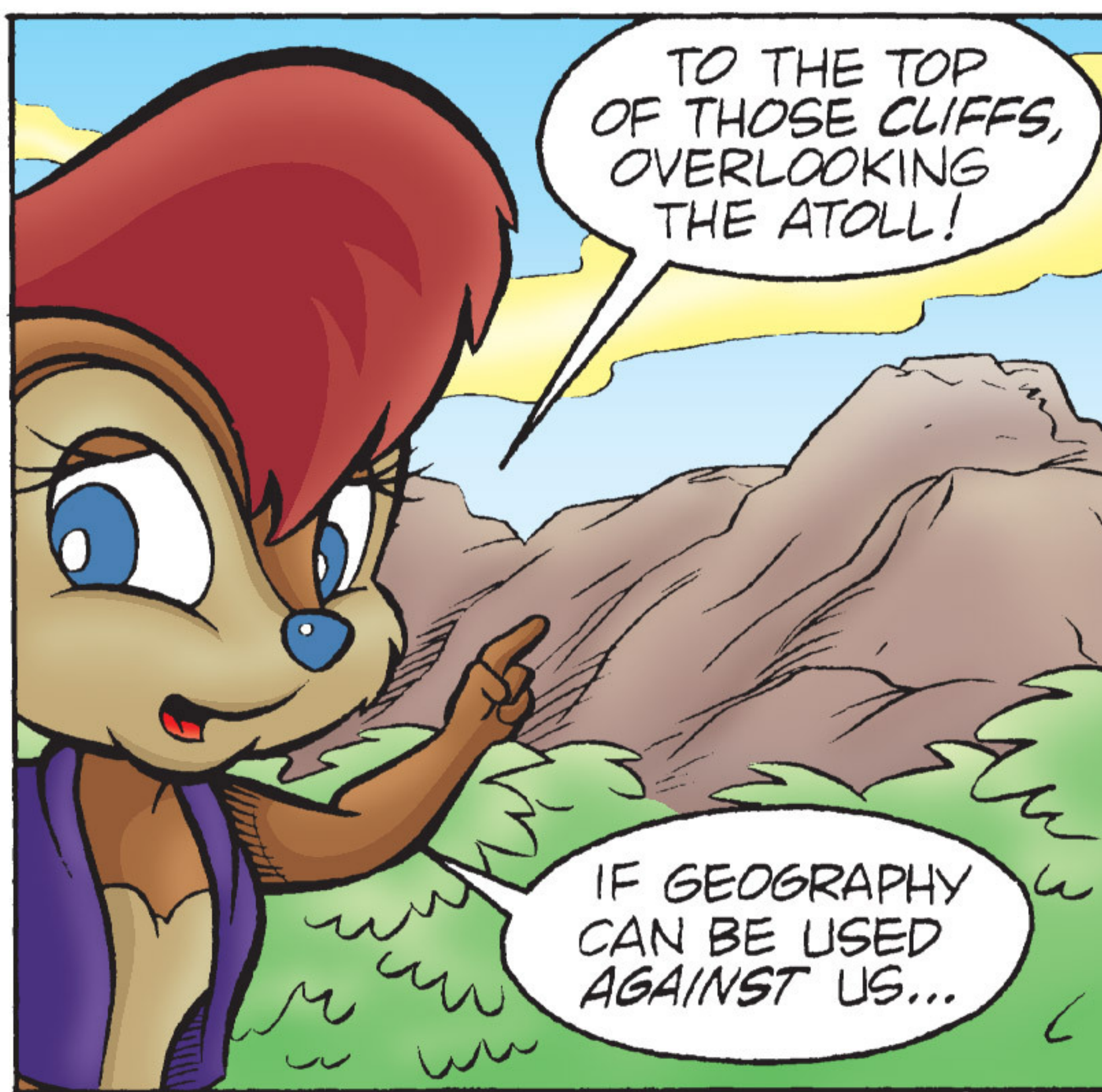
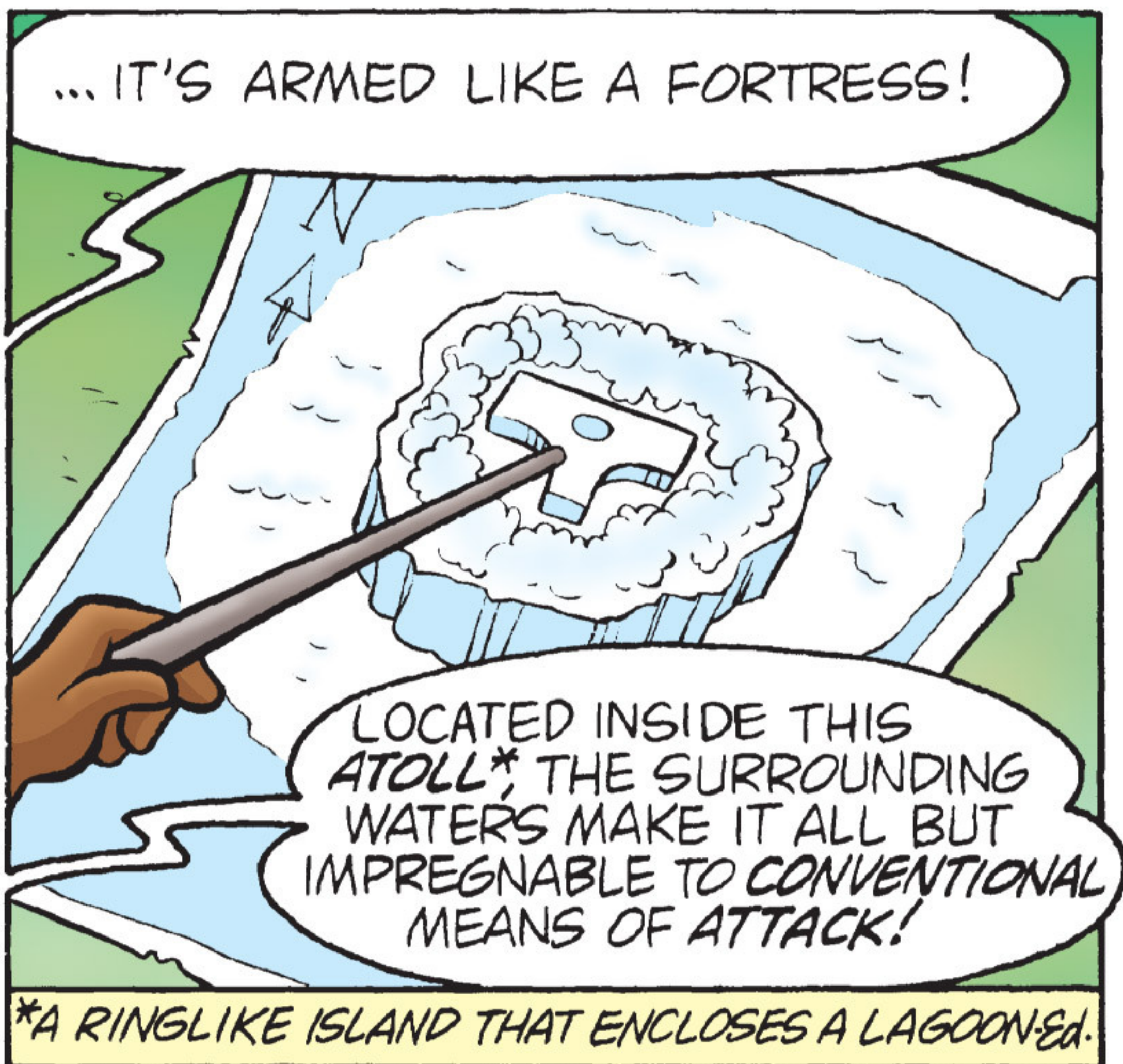
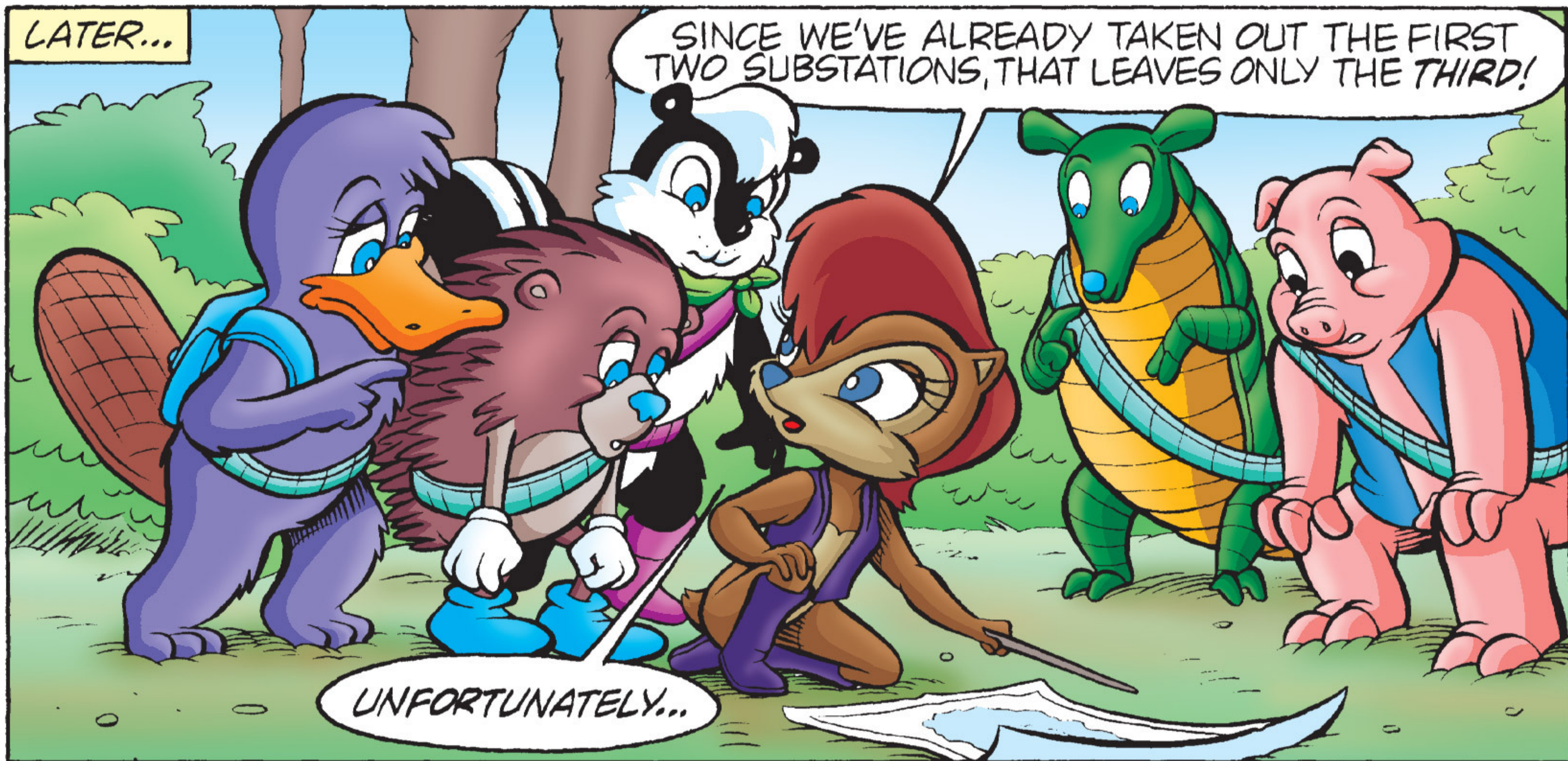
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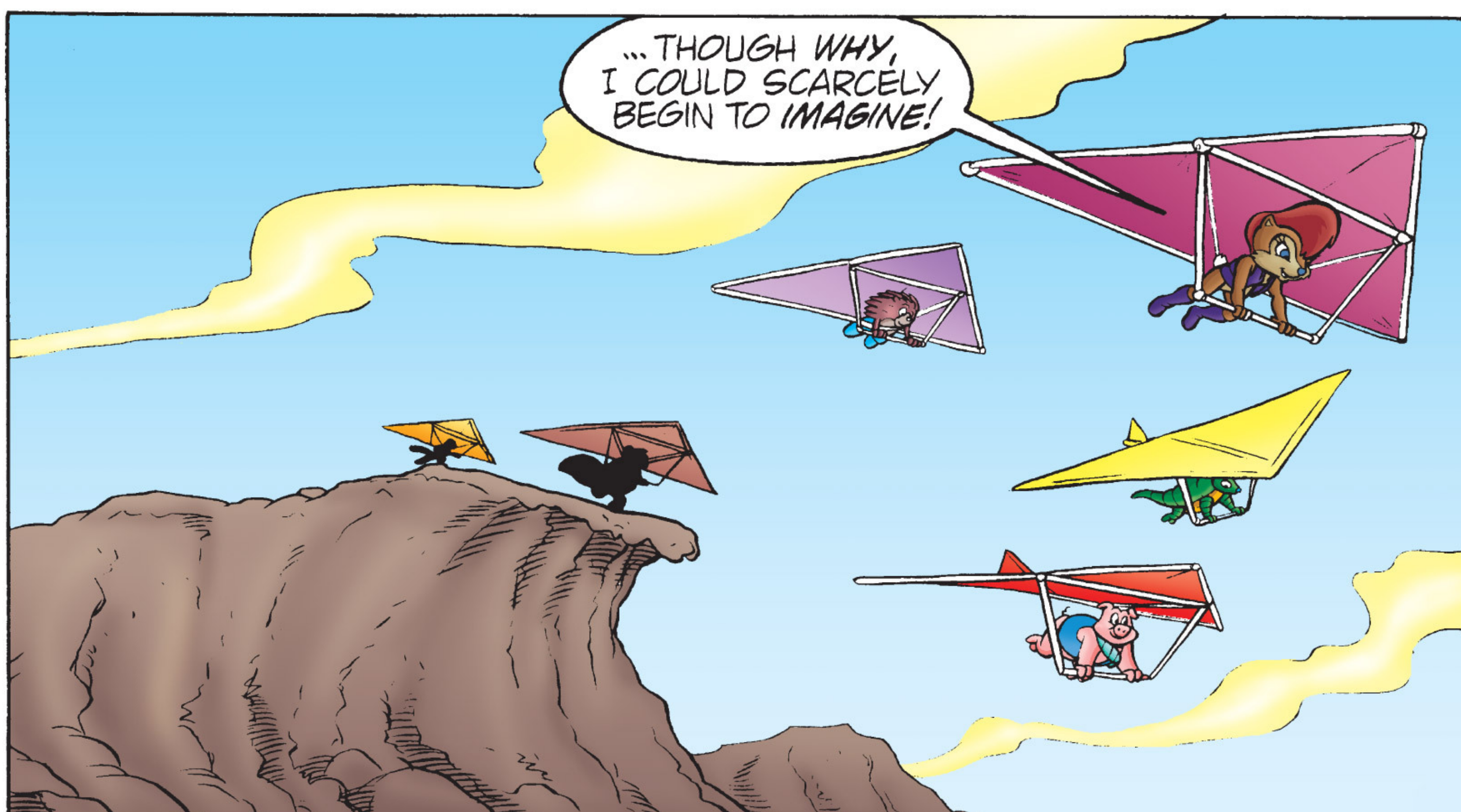
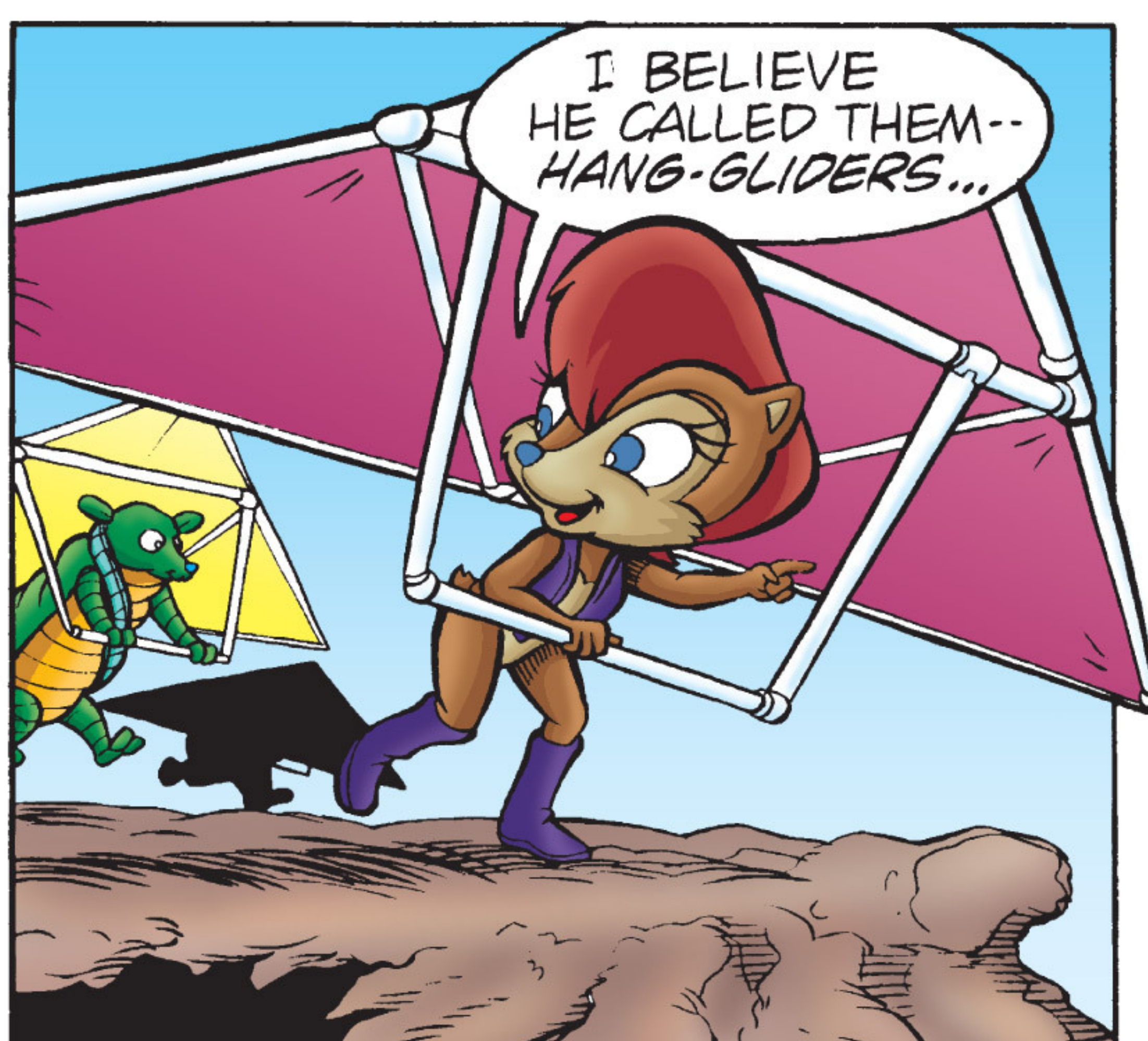
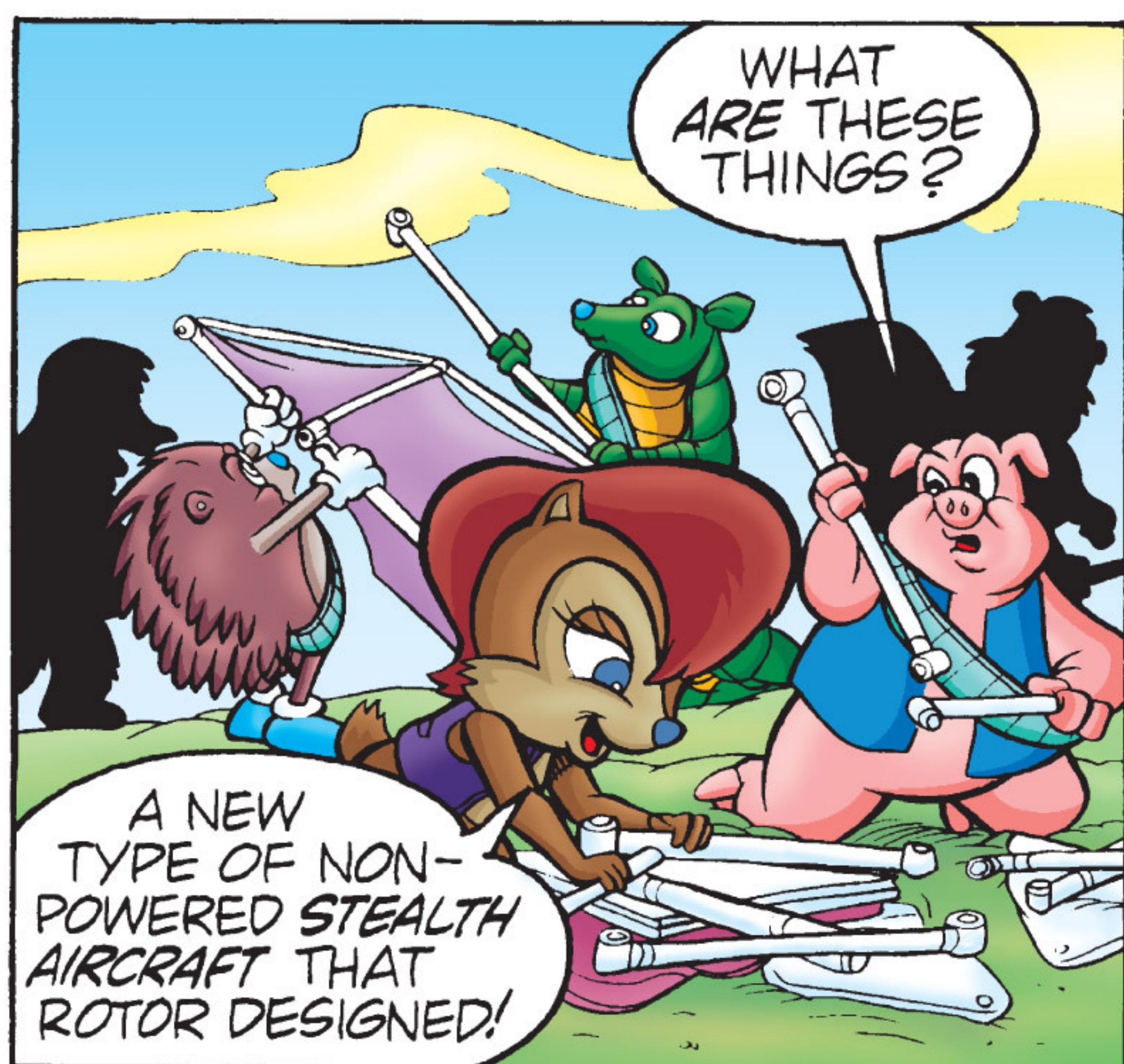
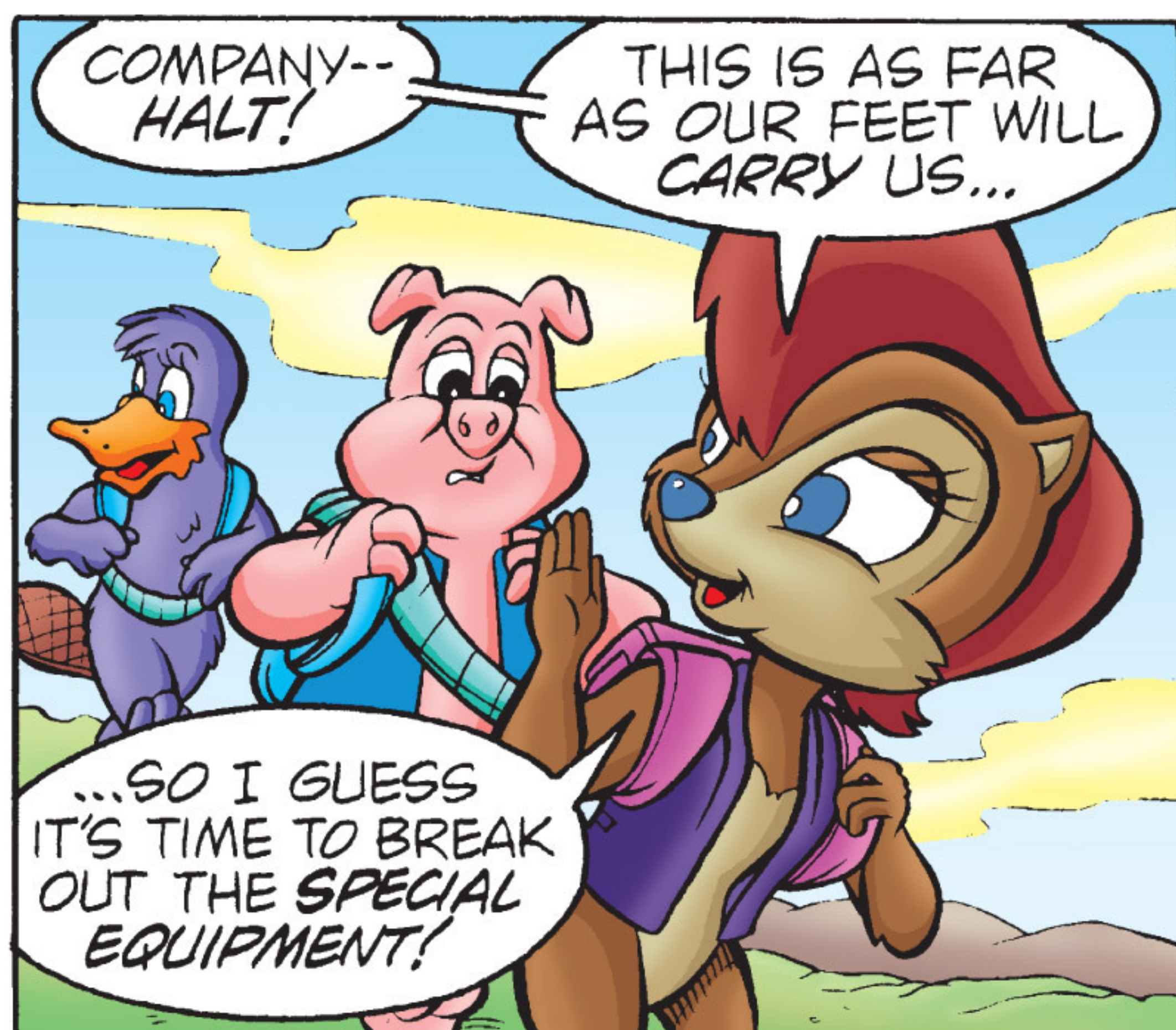
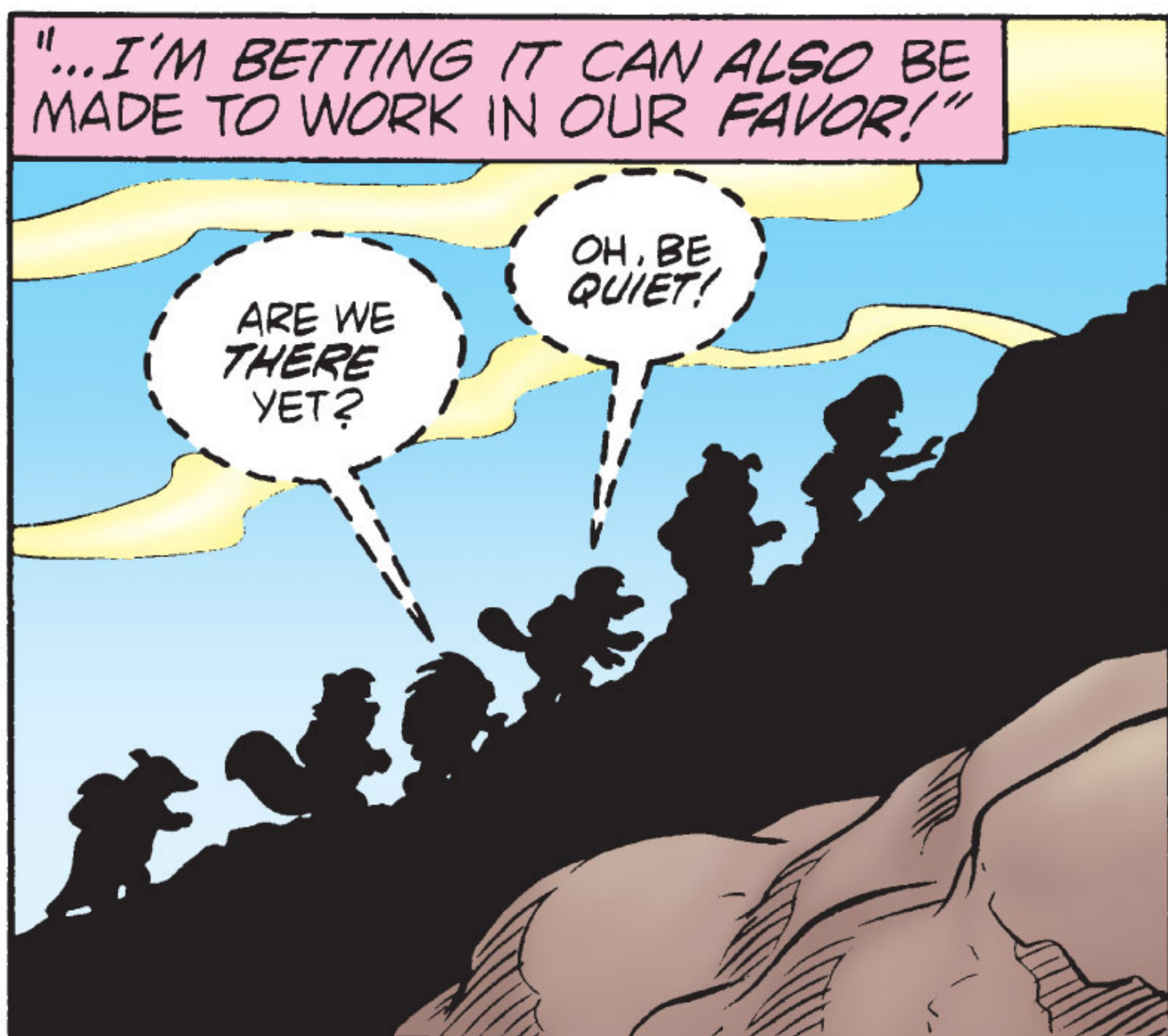
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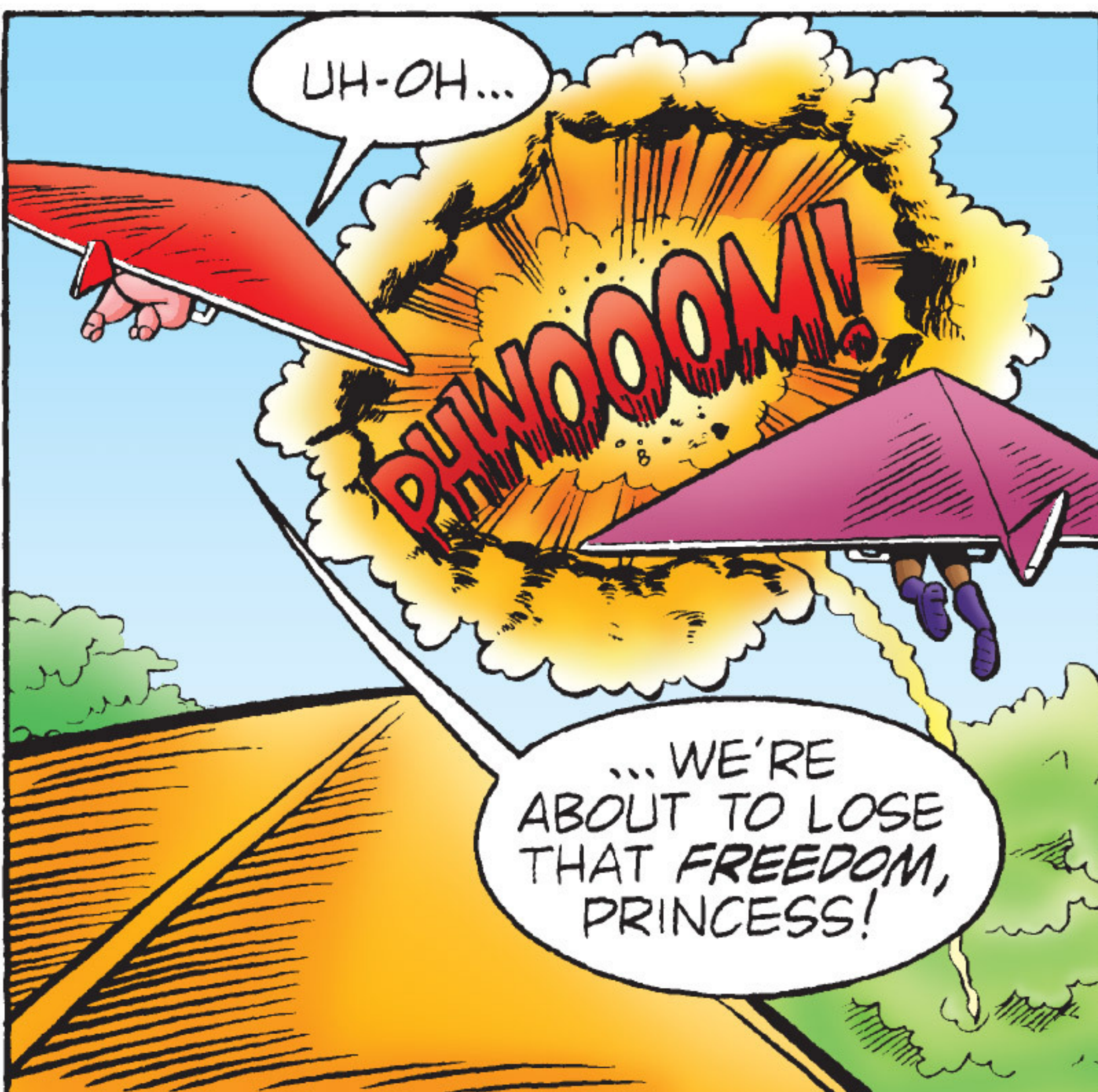
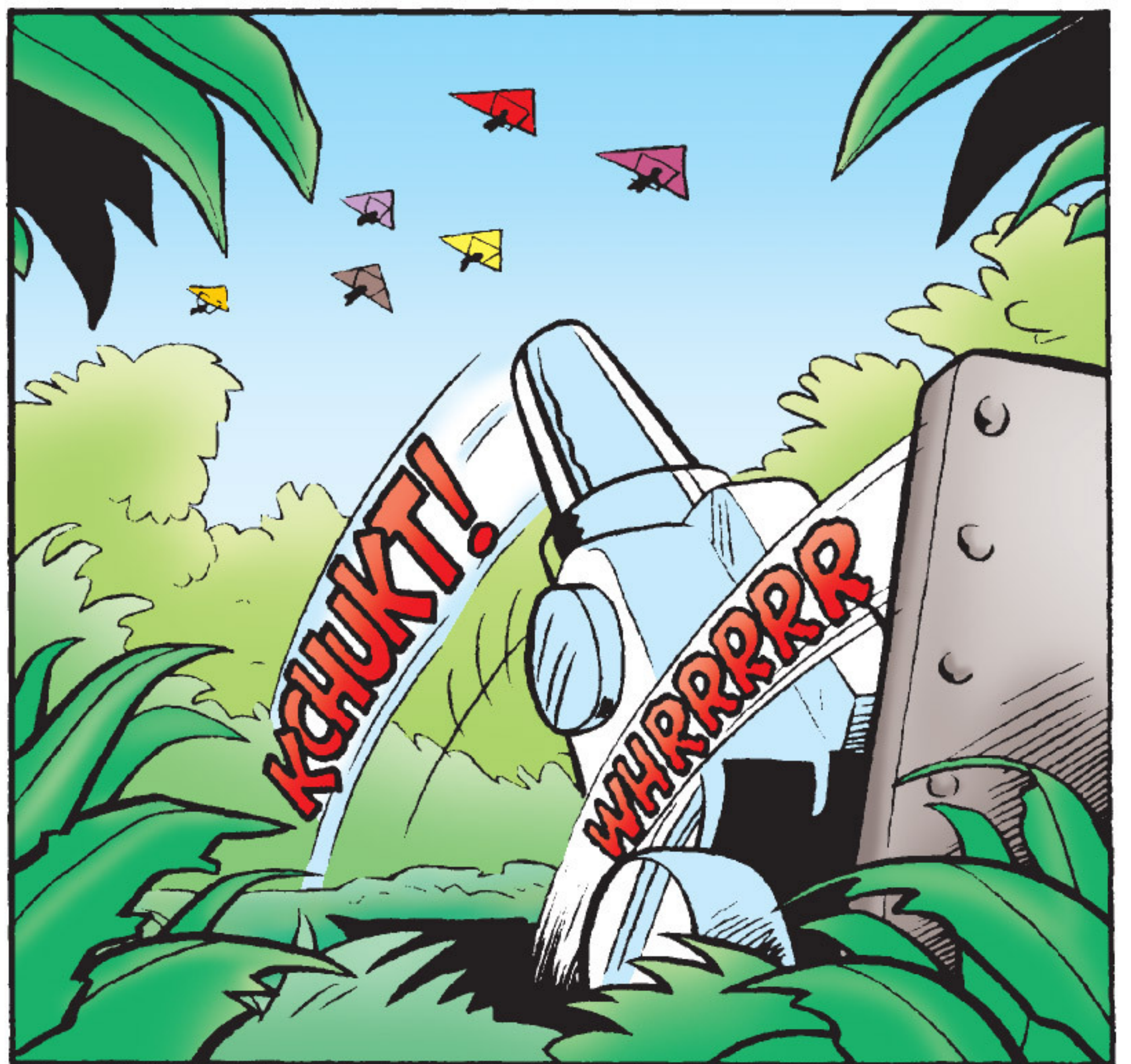
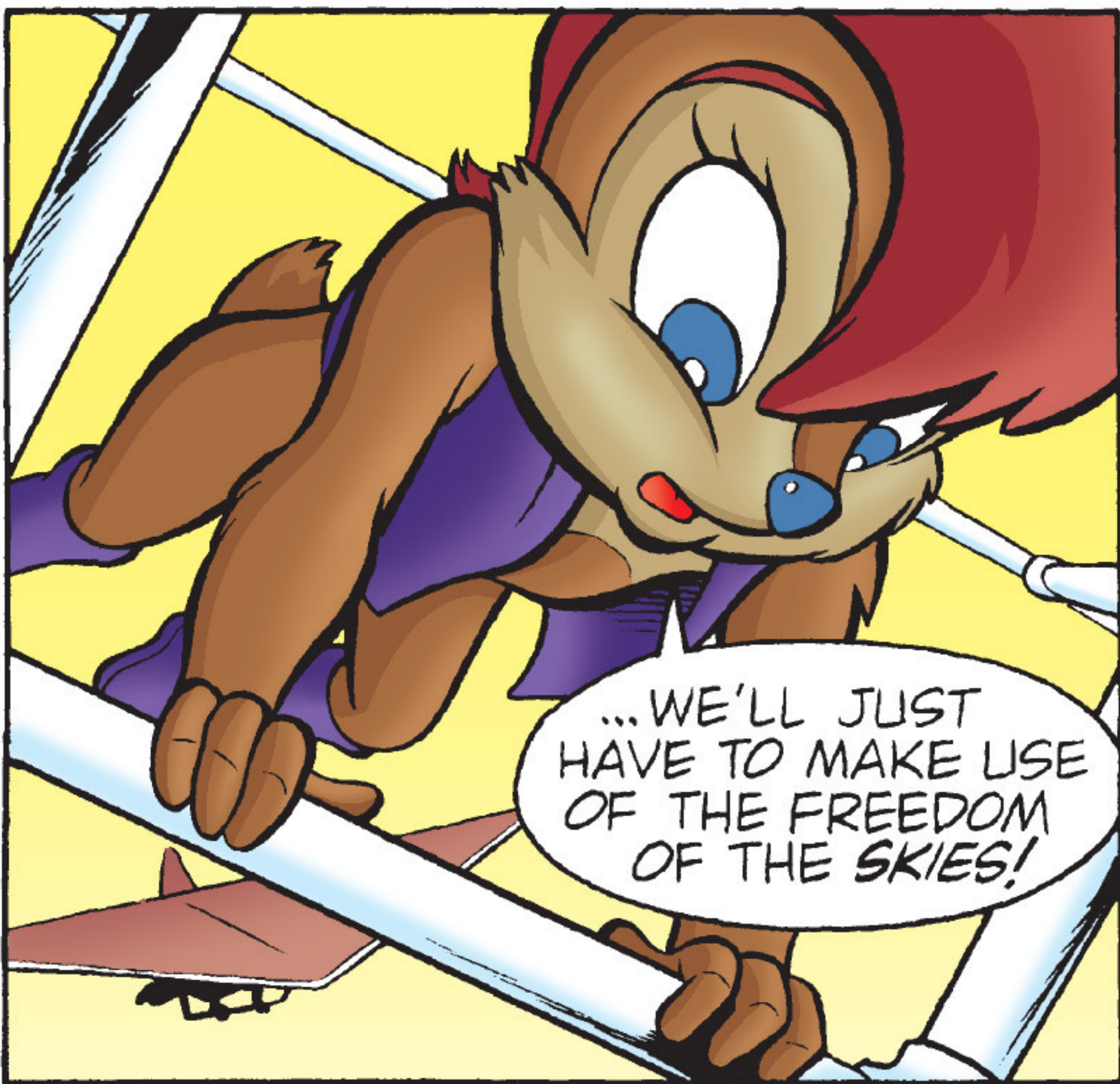
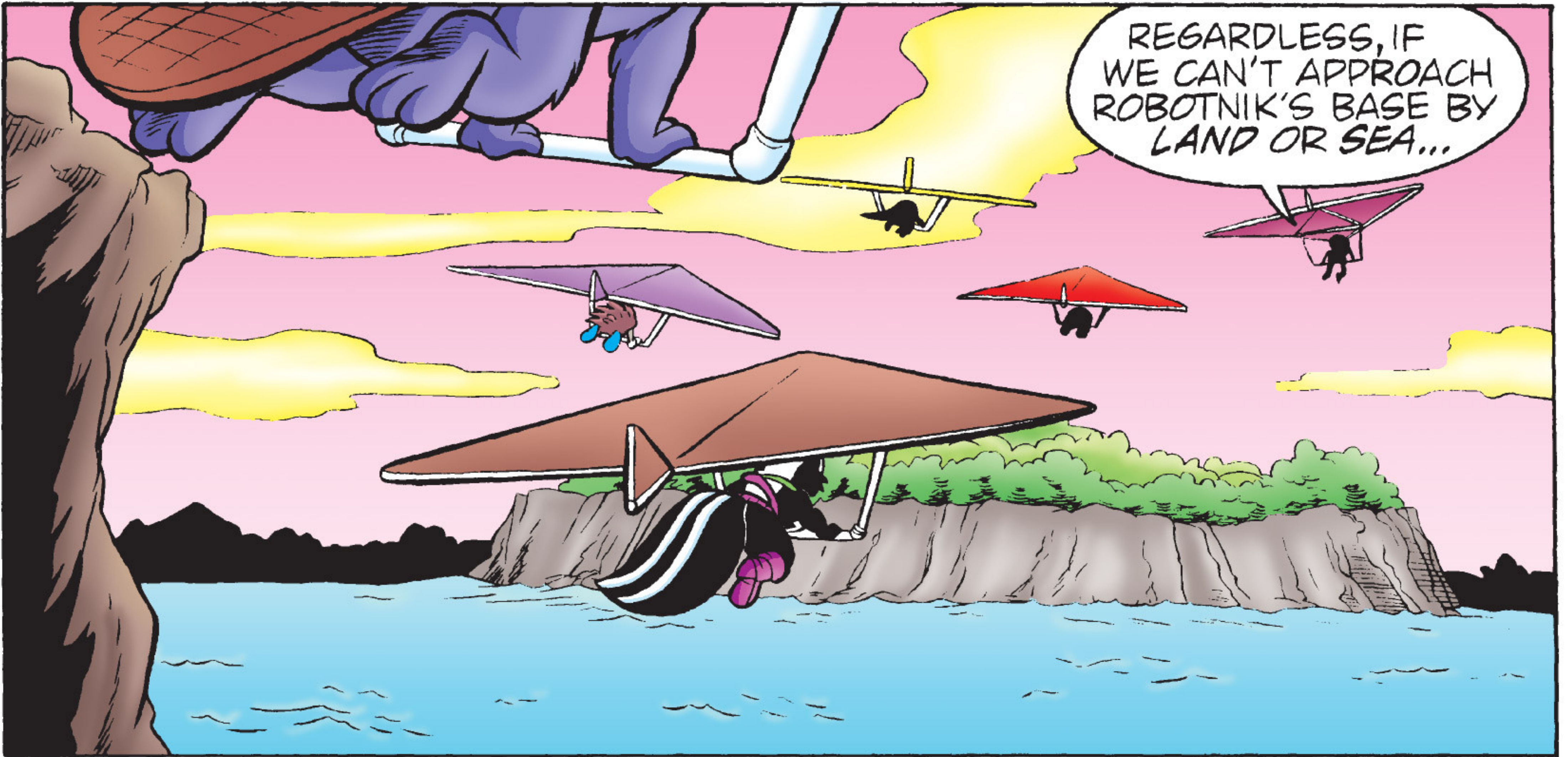


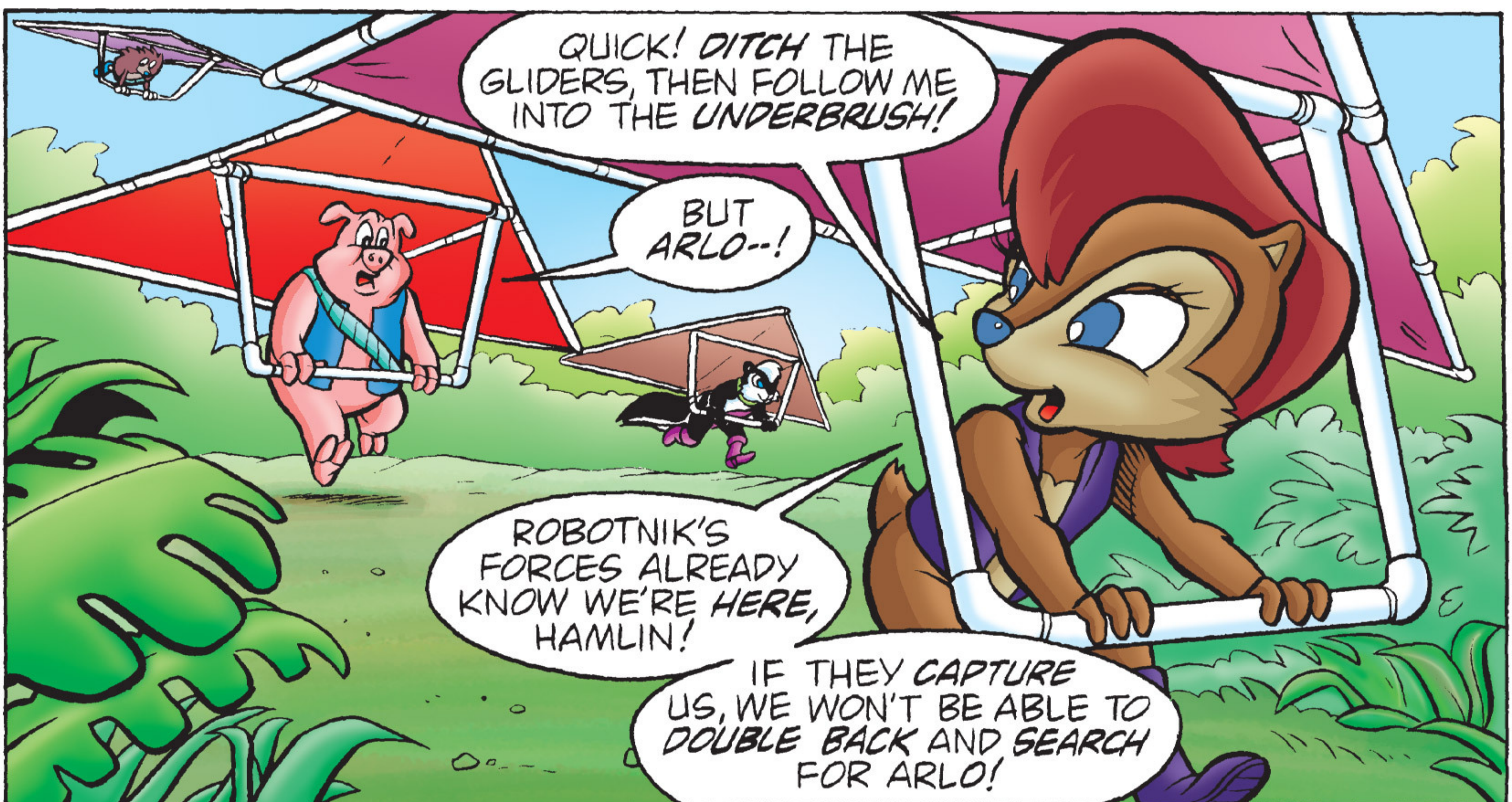
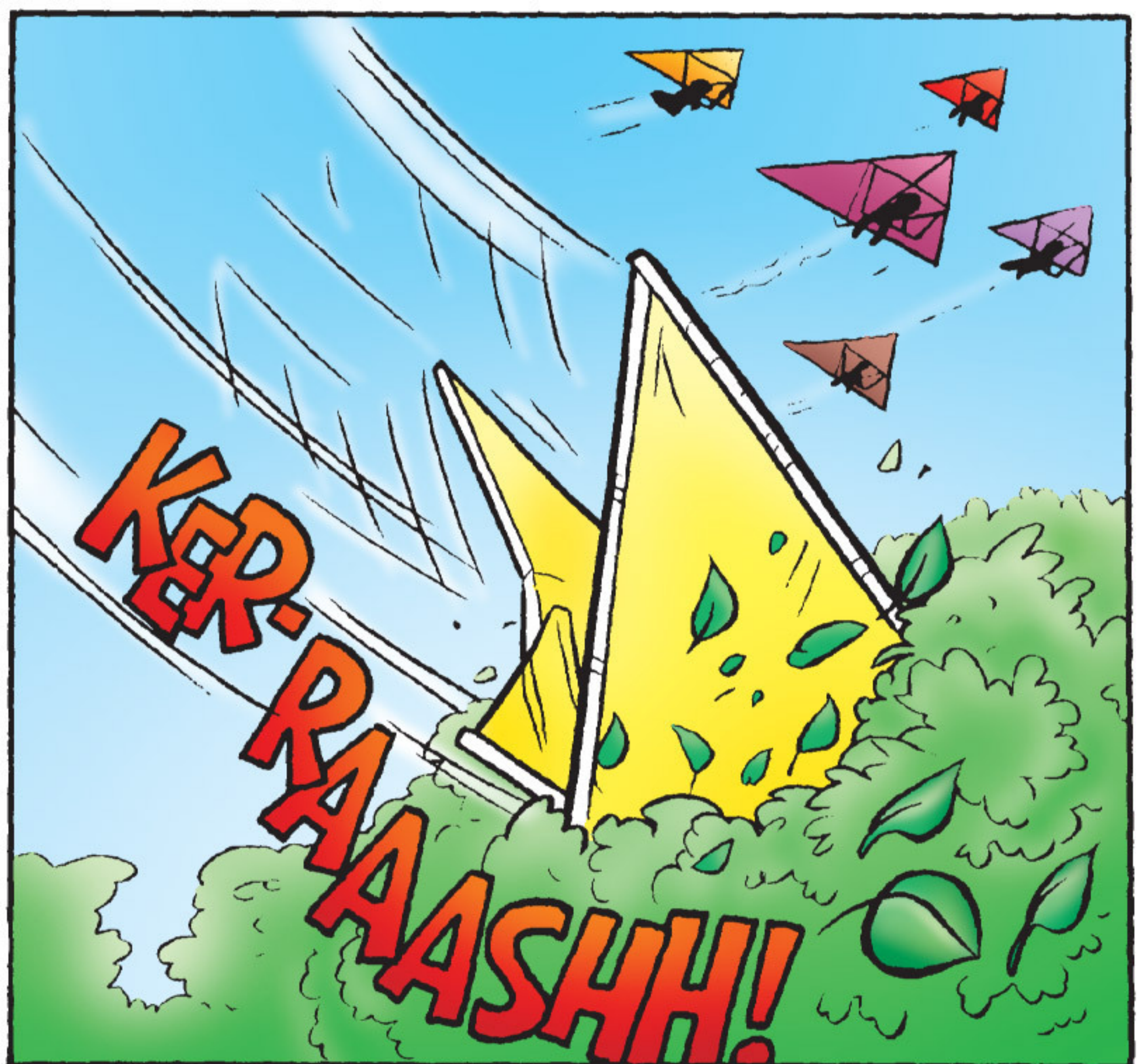
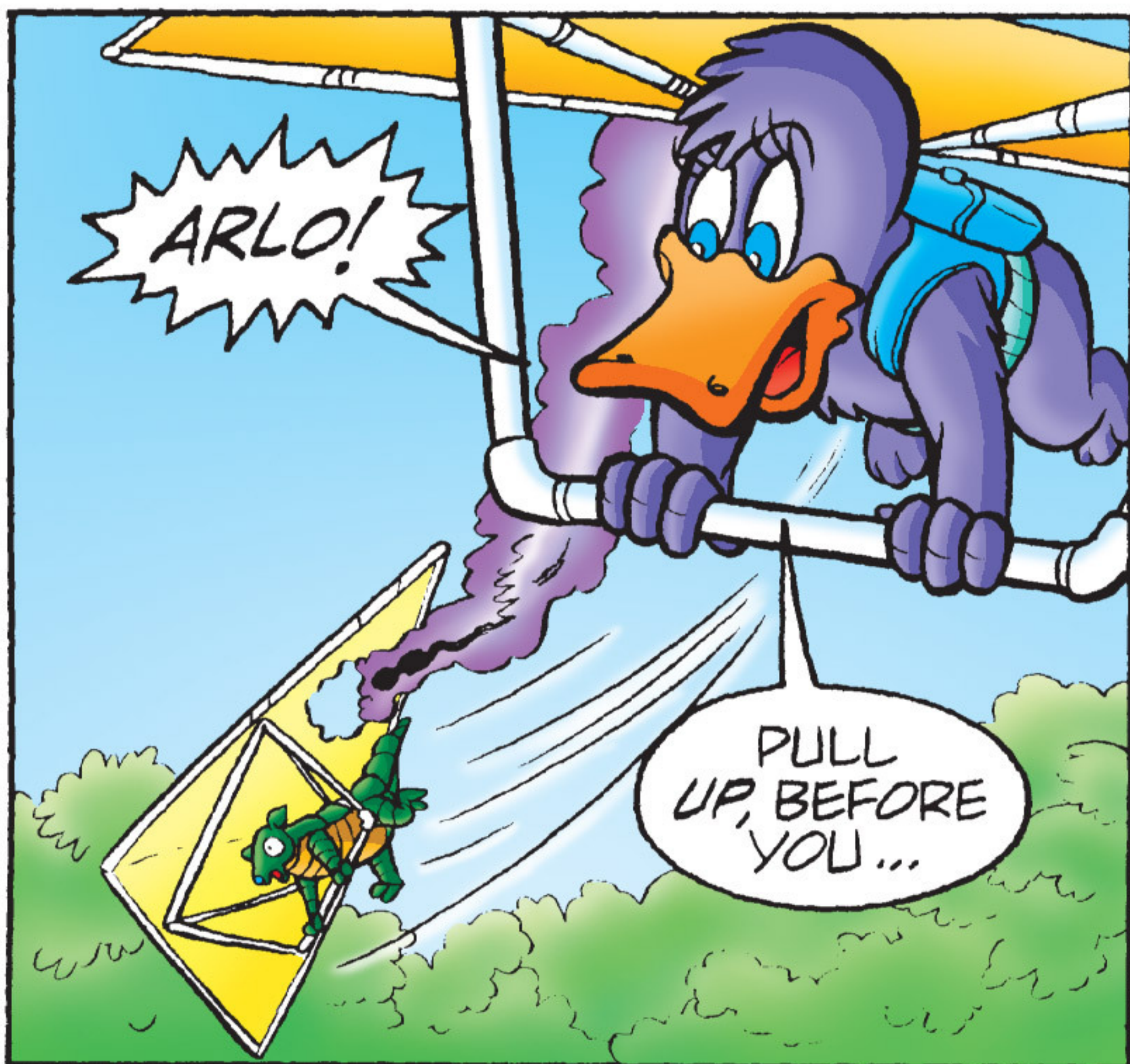
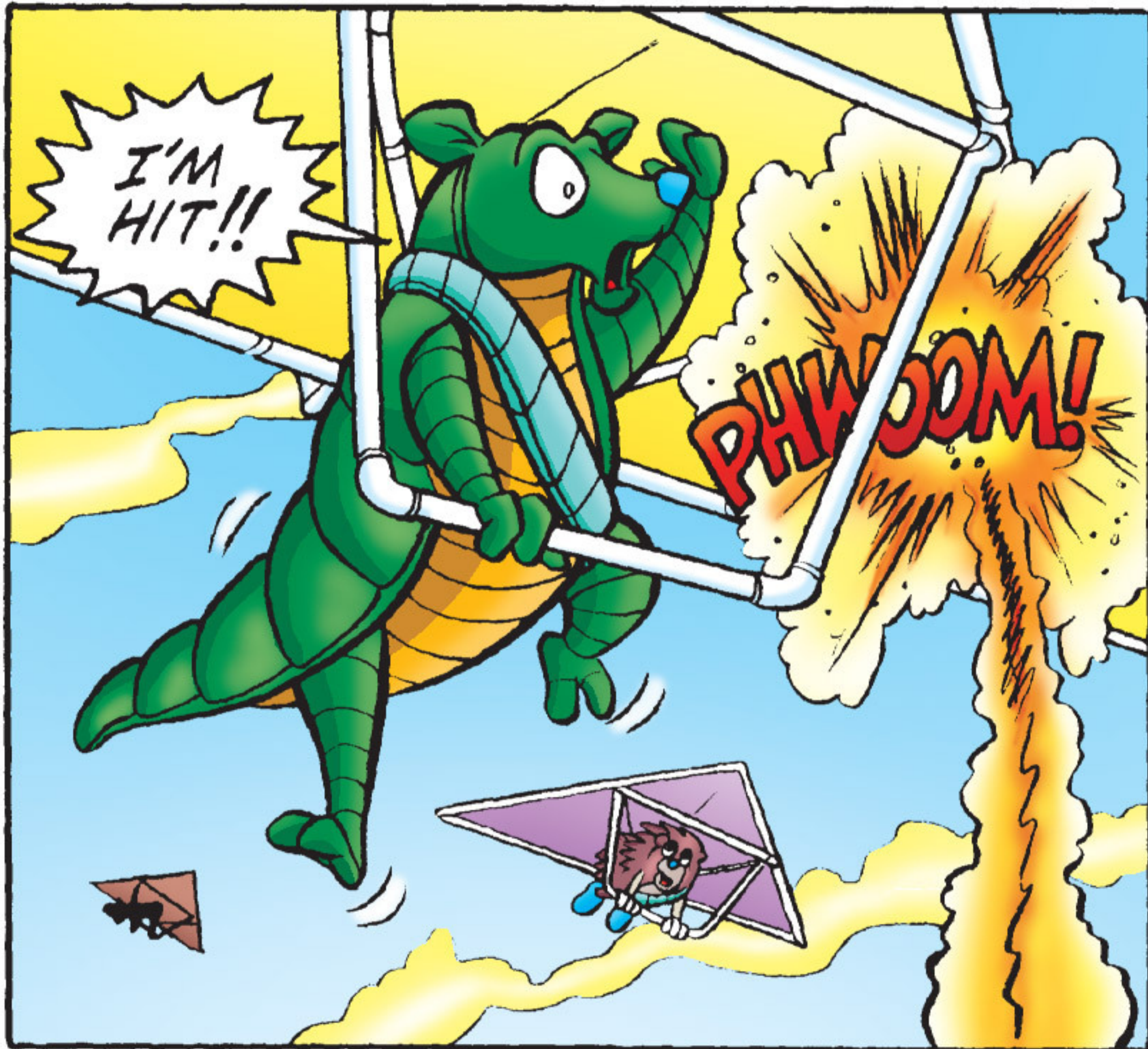
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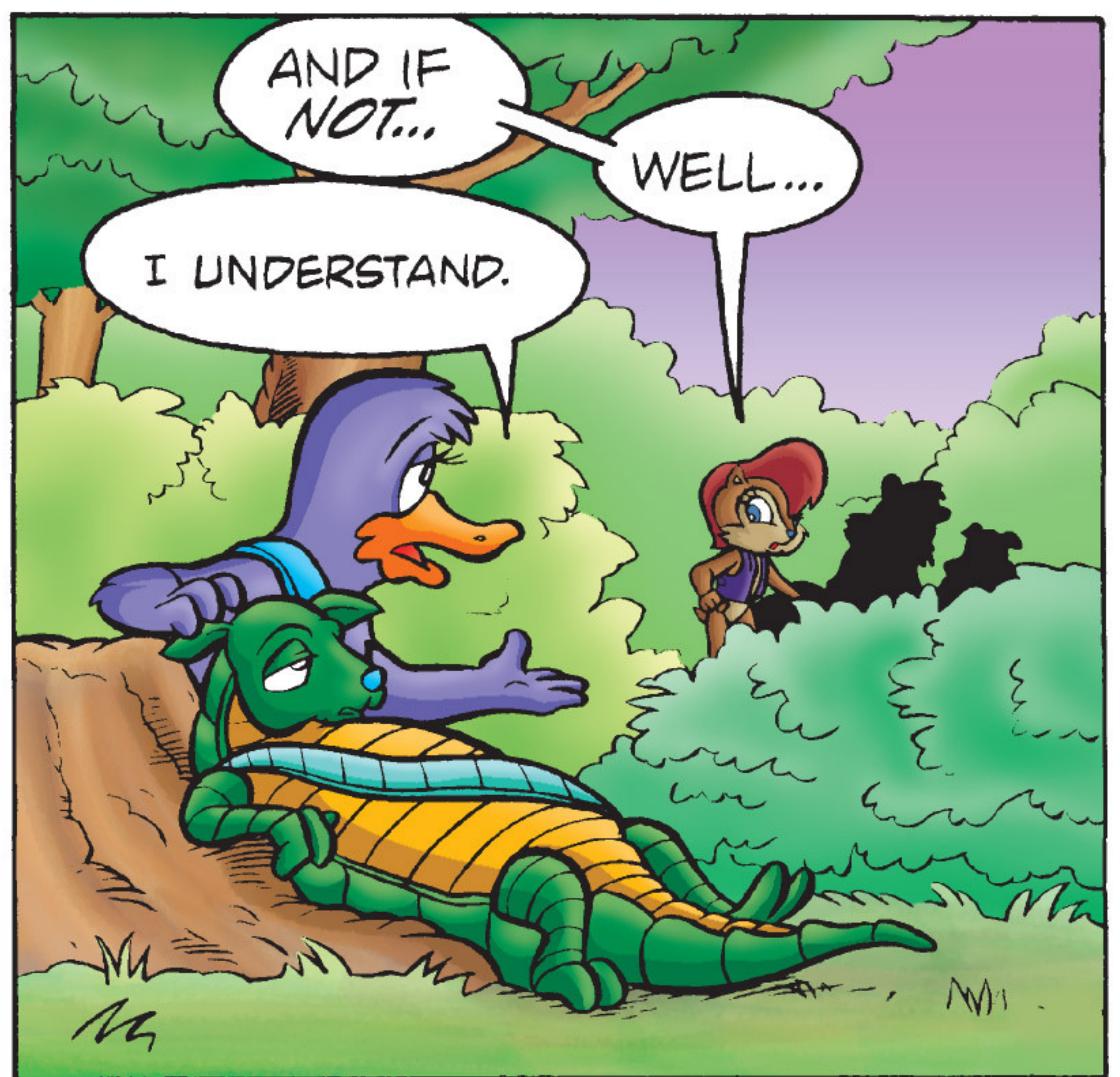
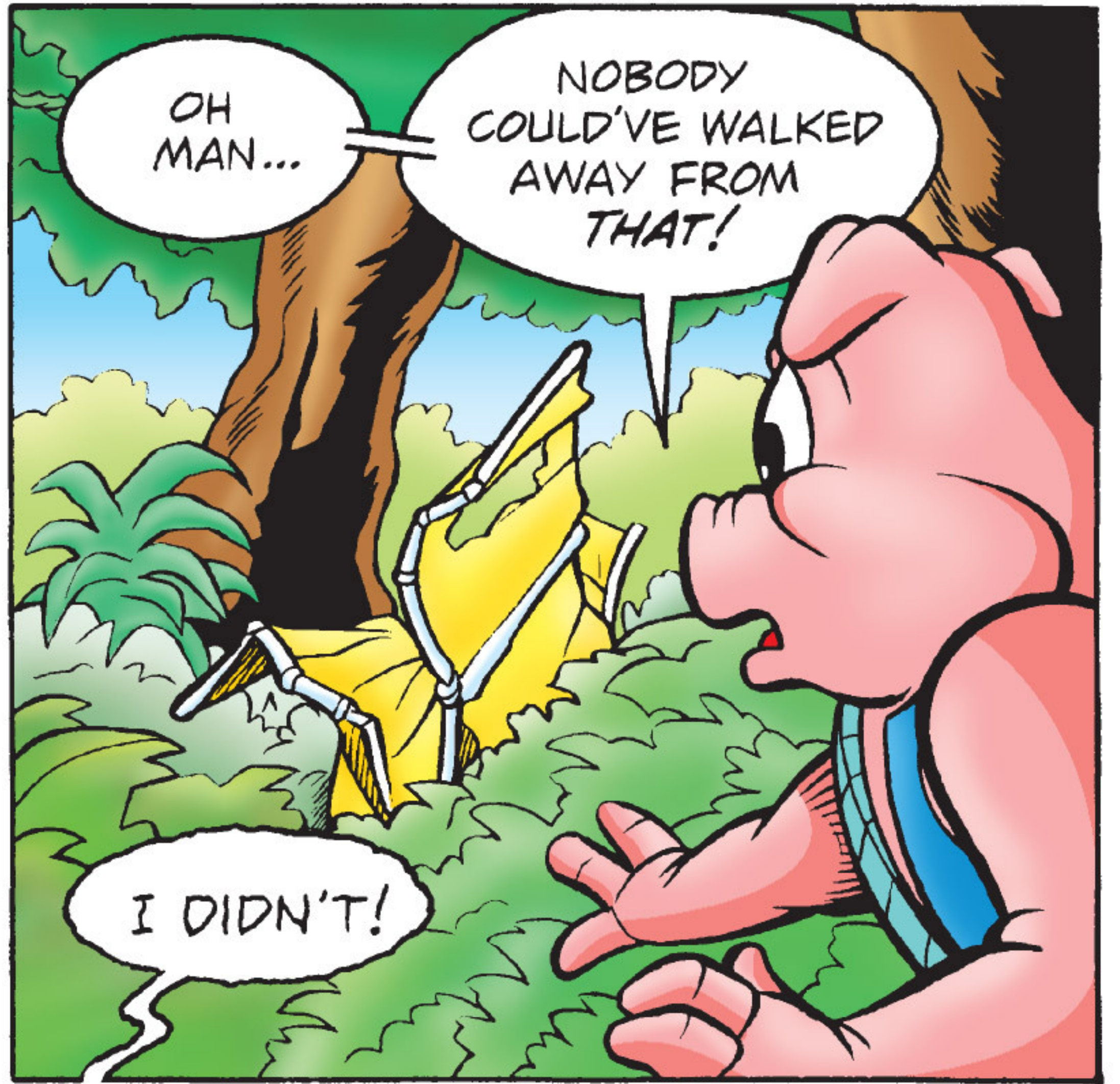
...DON'T KNOW WHAT I COULD HAVE BEEN THINKING!

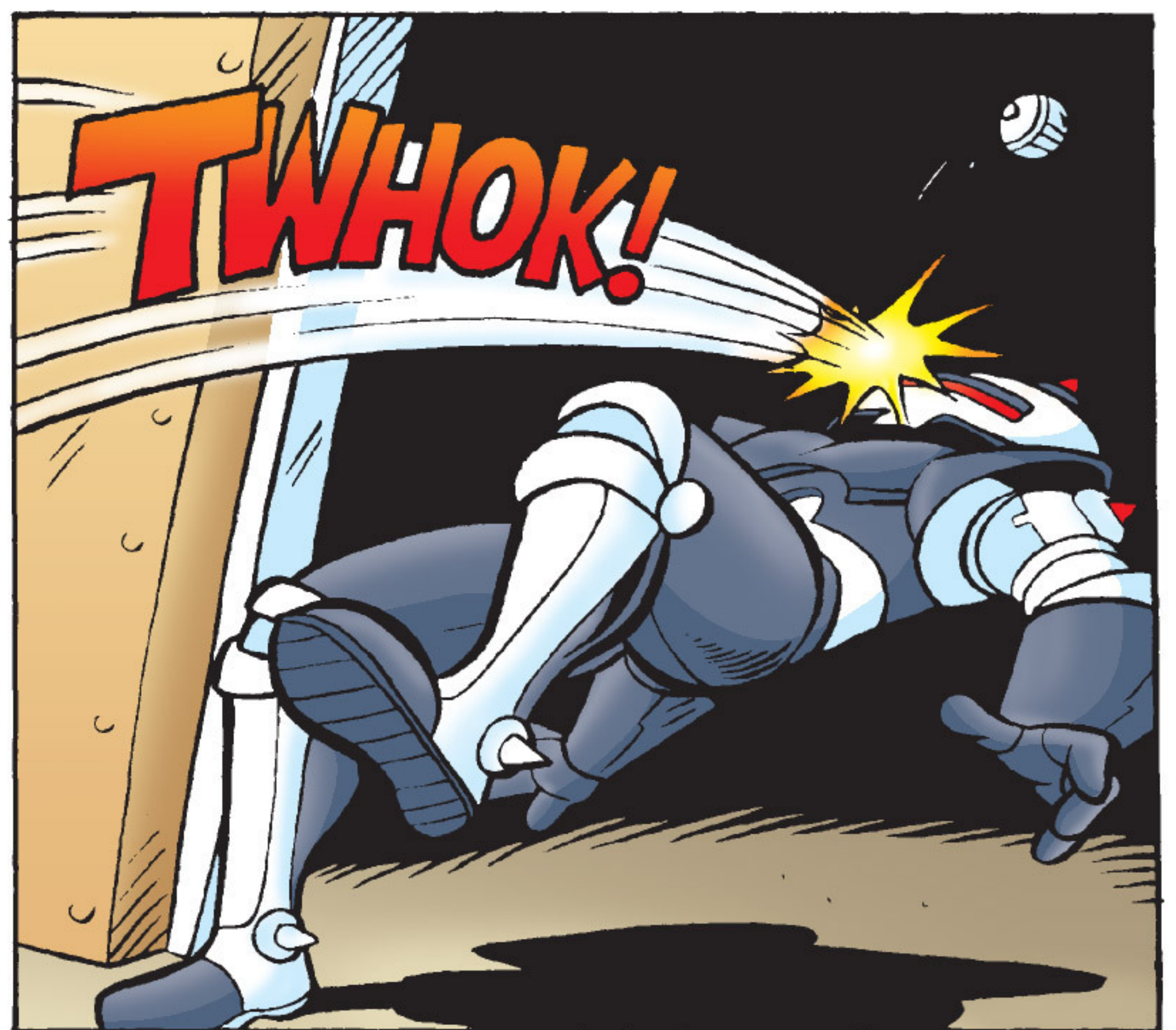
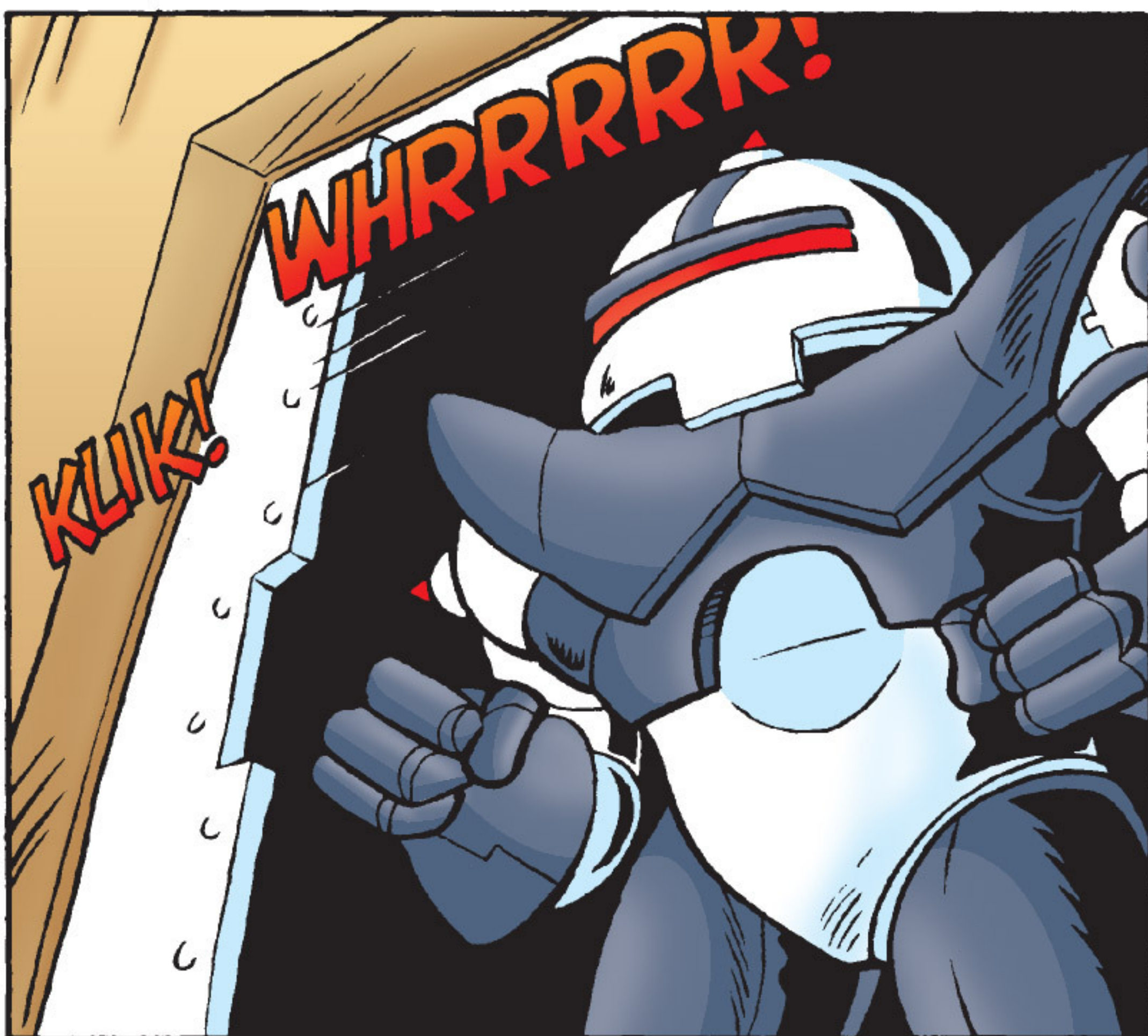
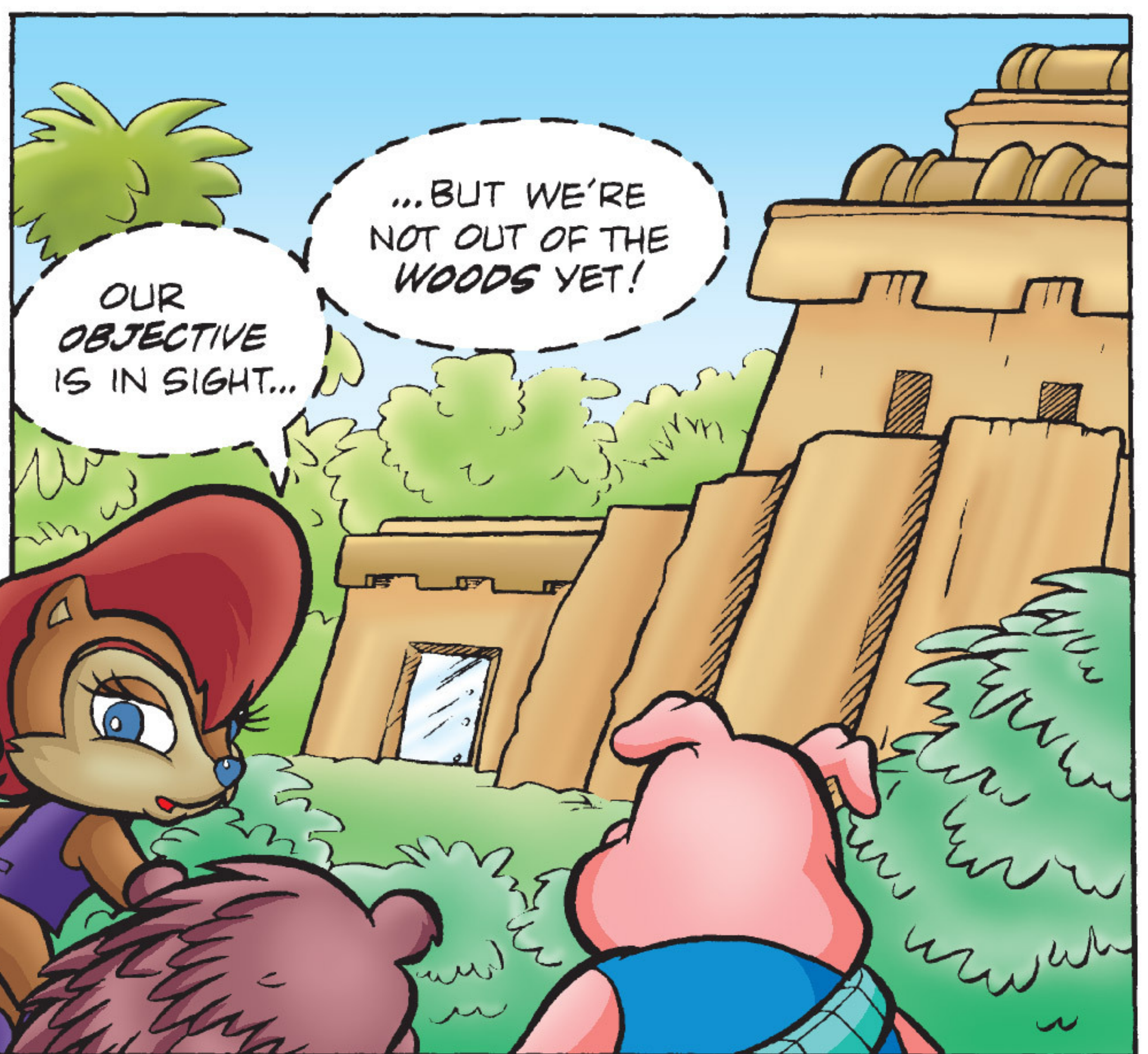
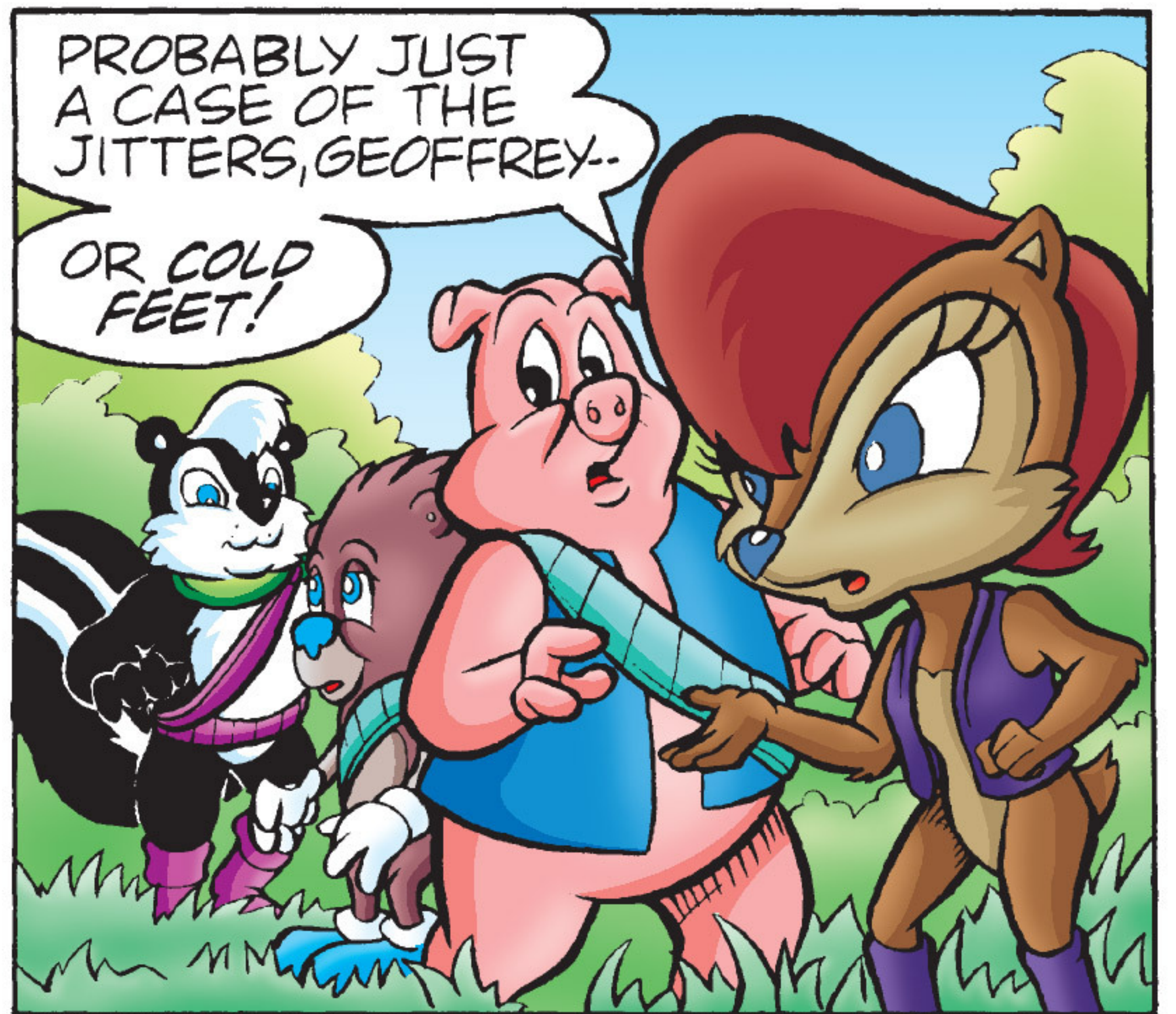
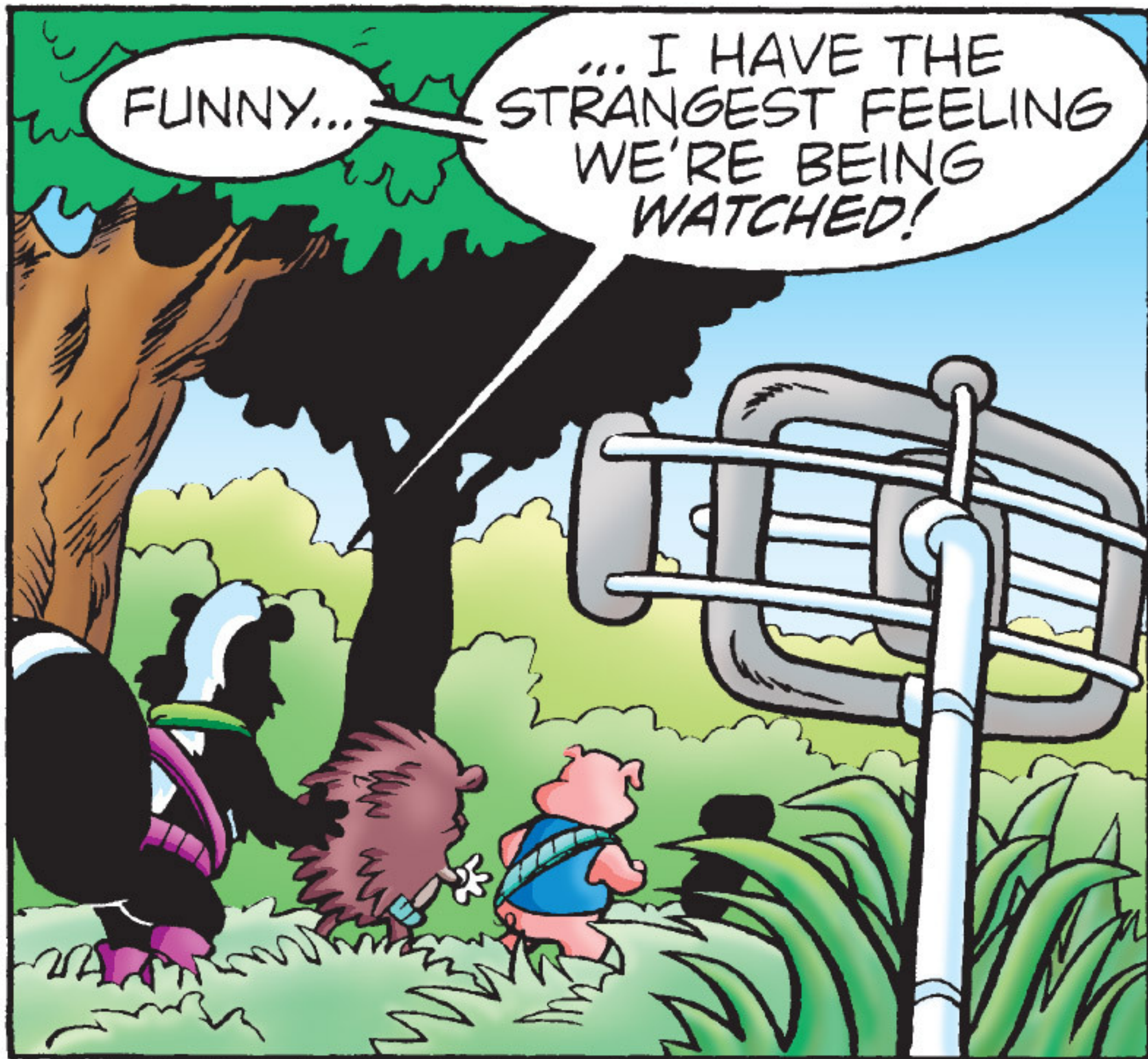


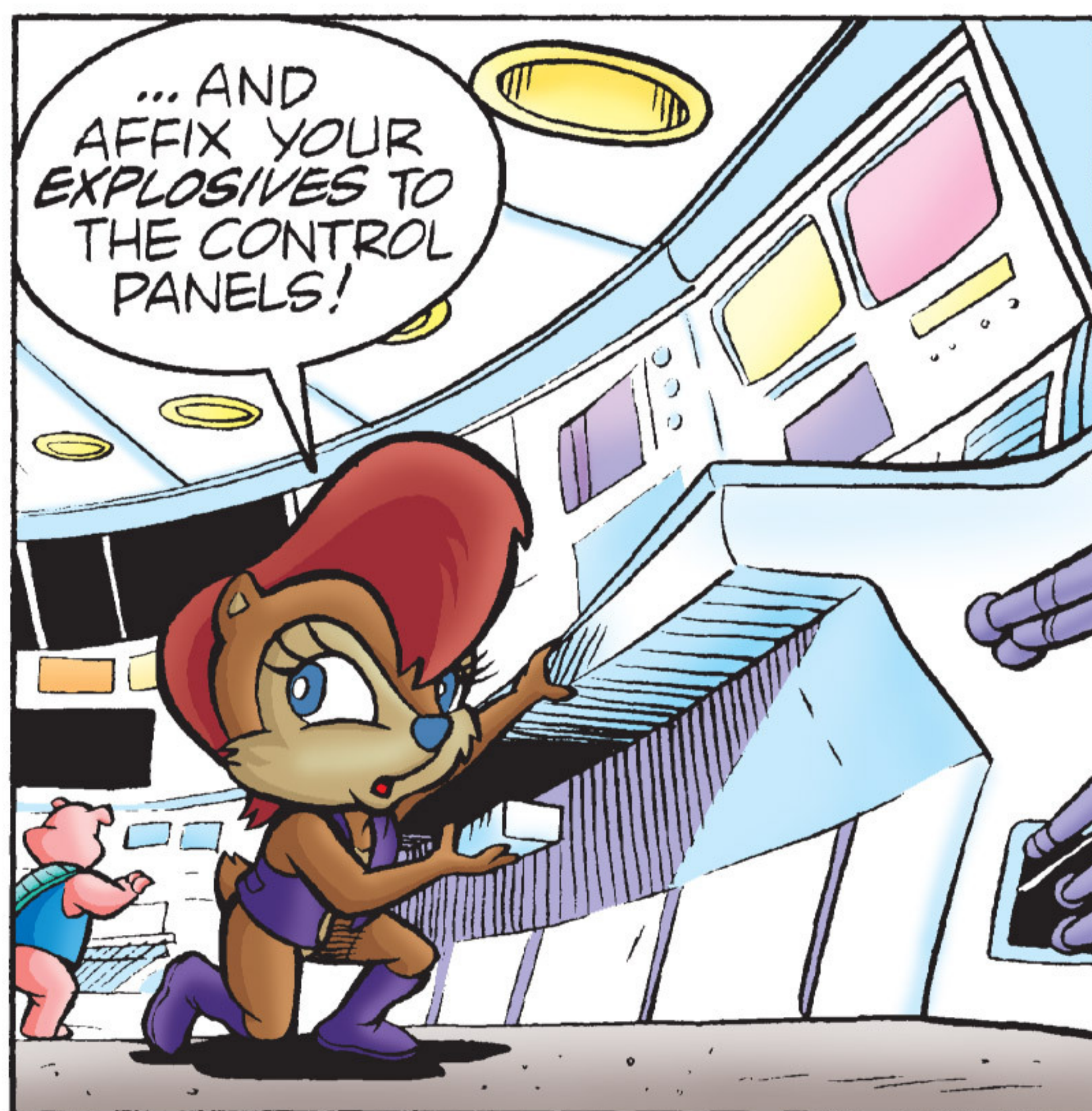
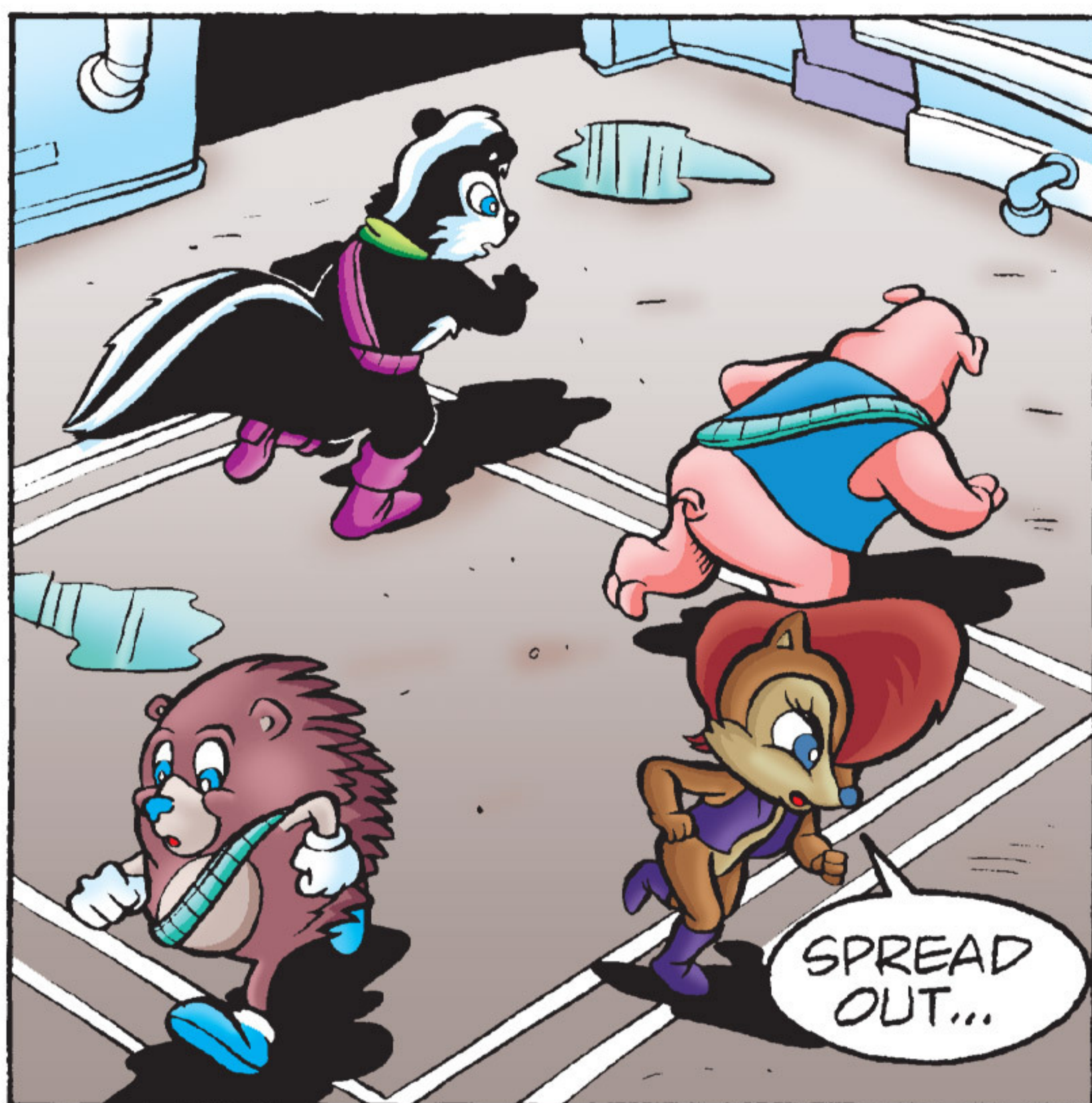
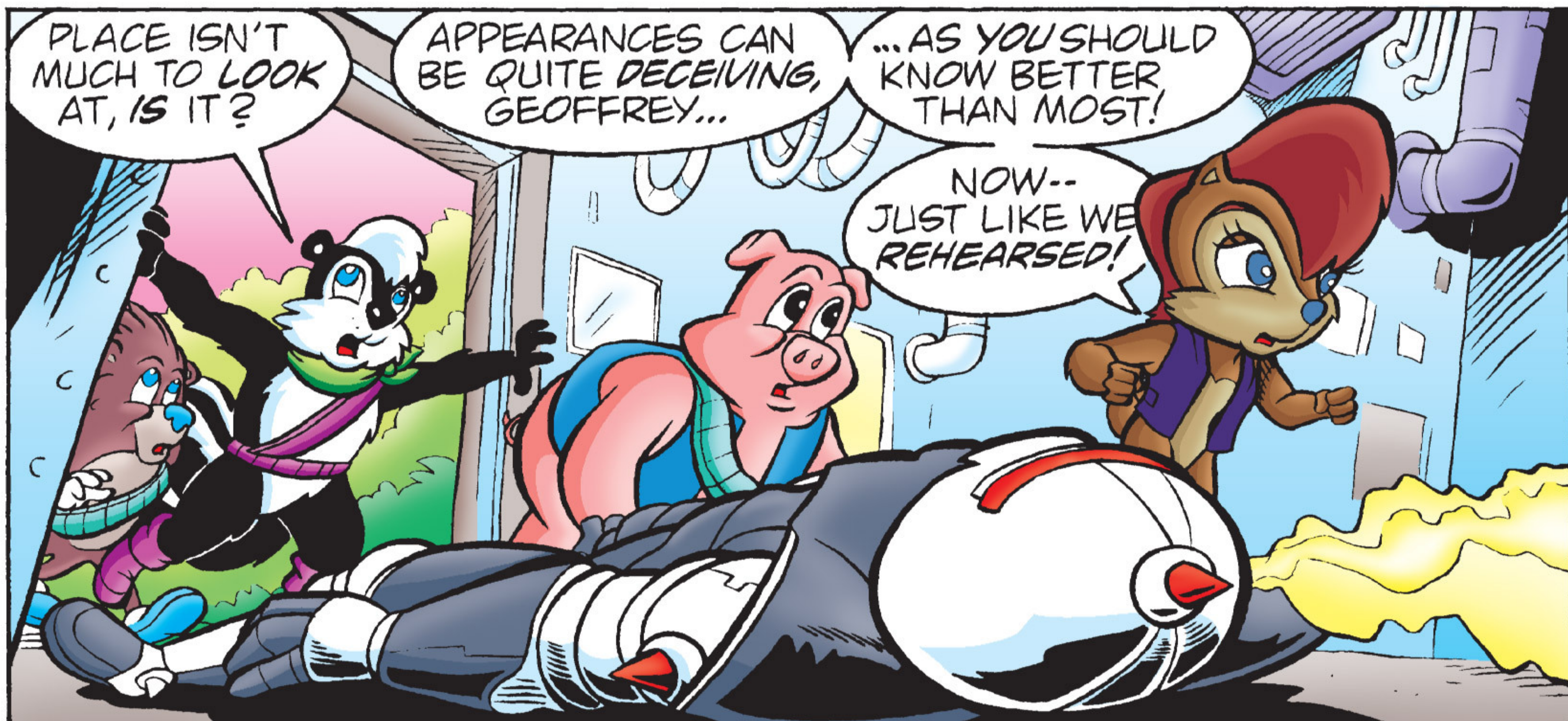


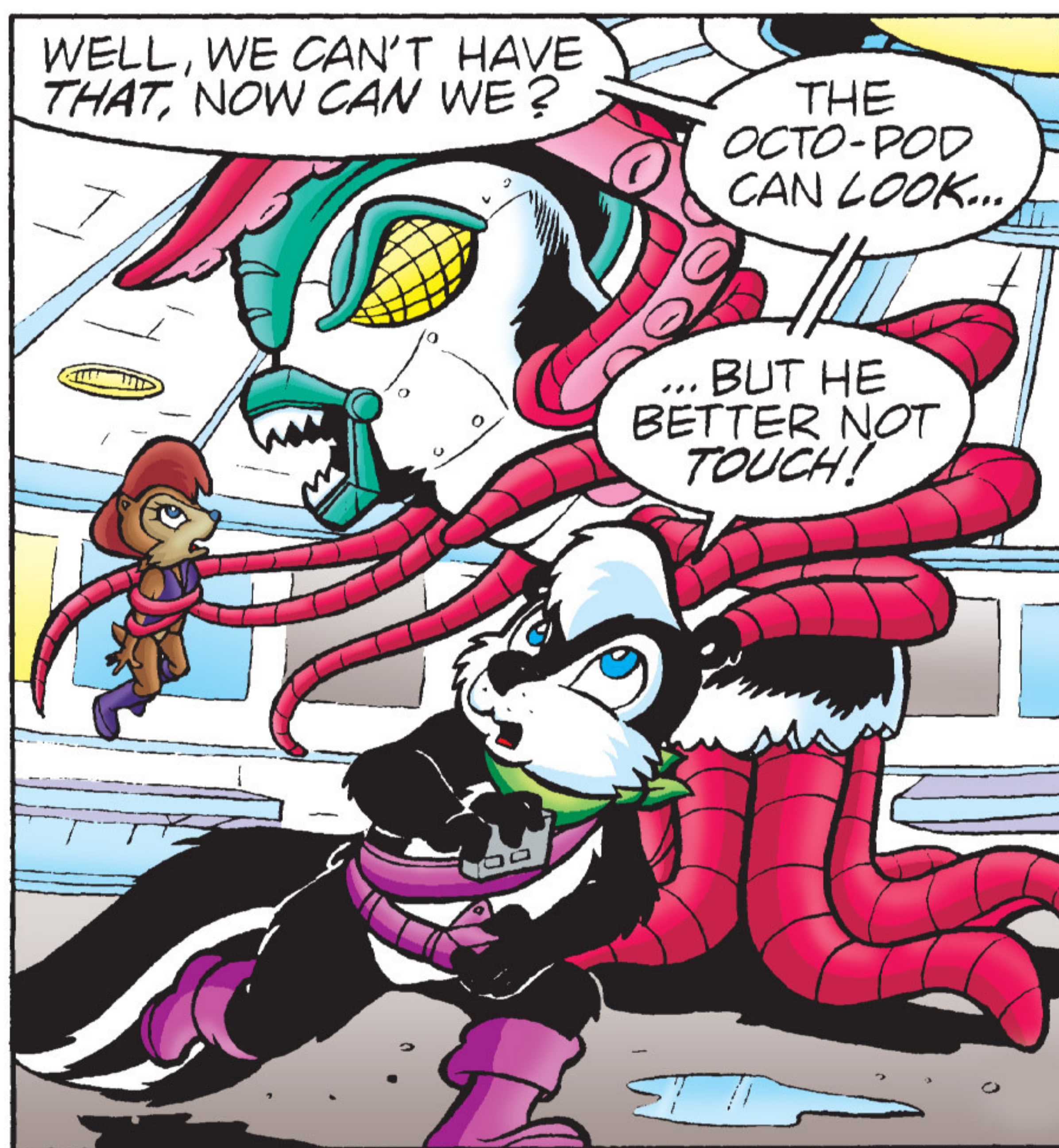
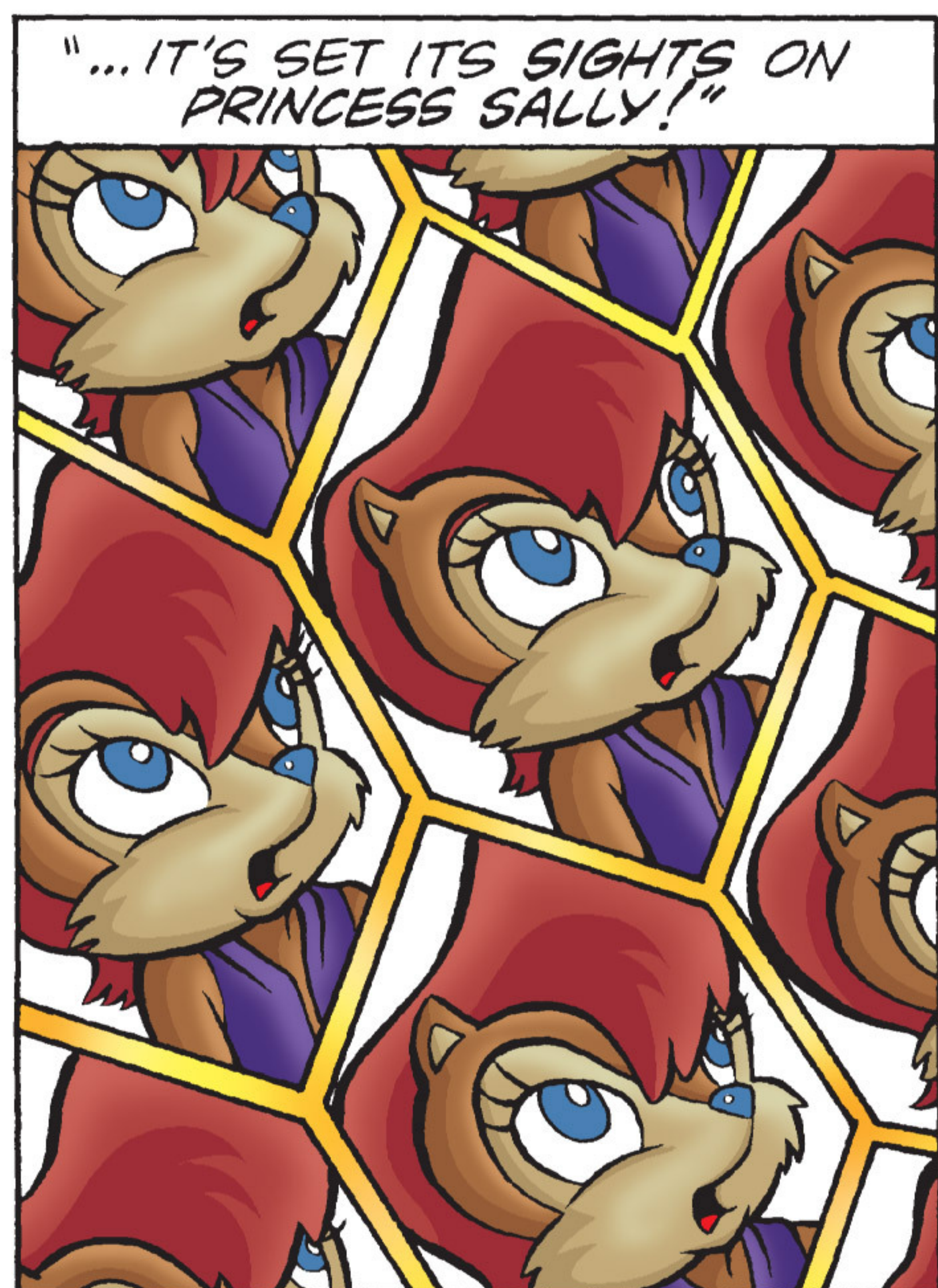
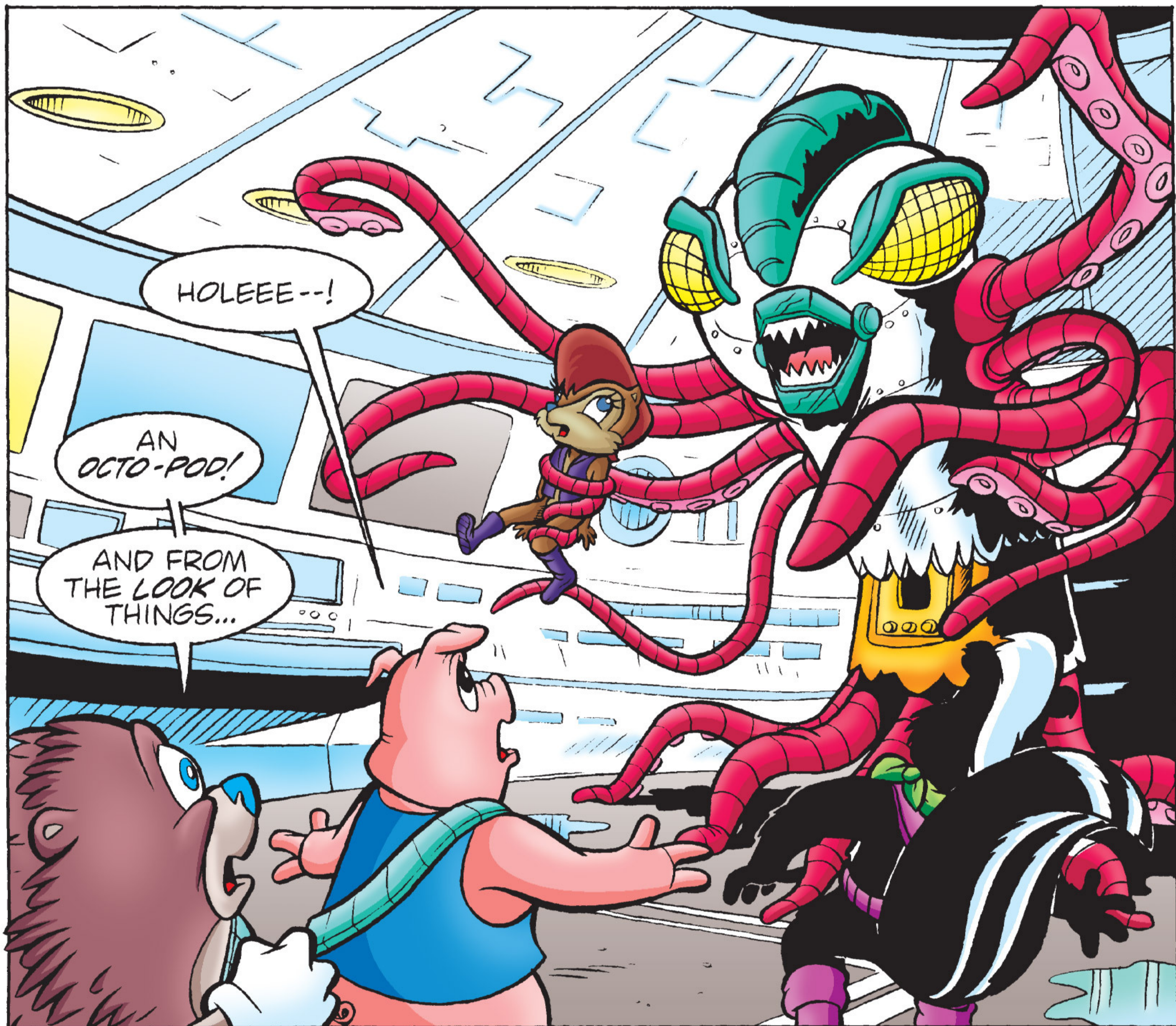


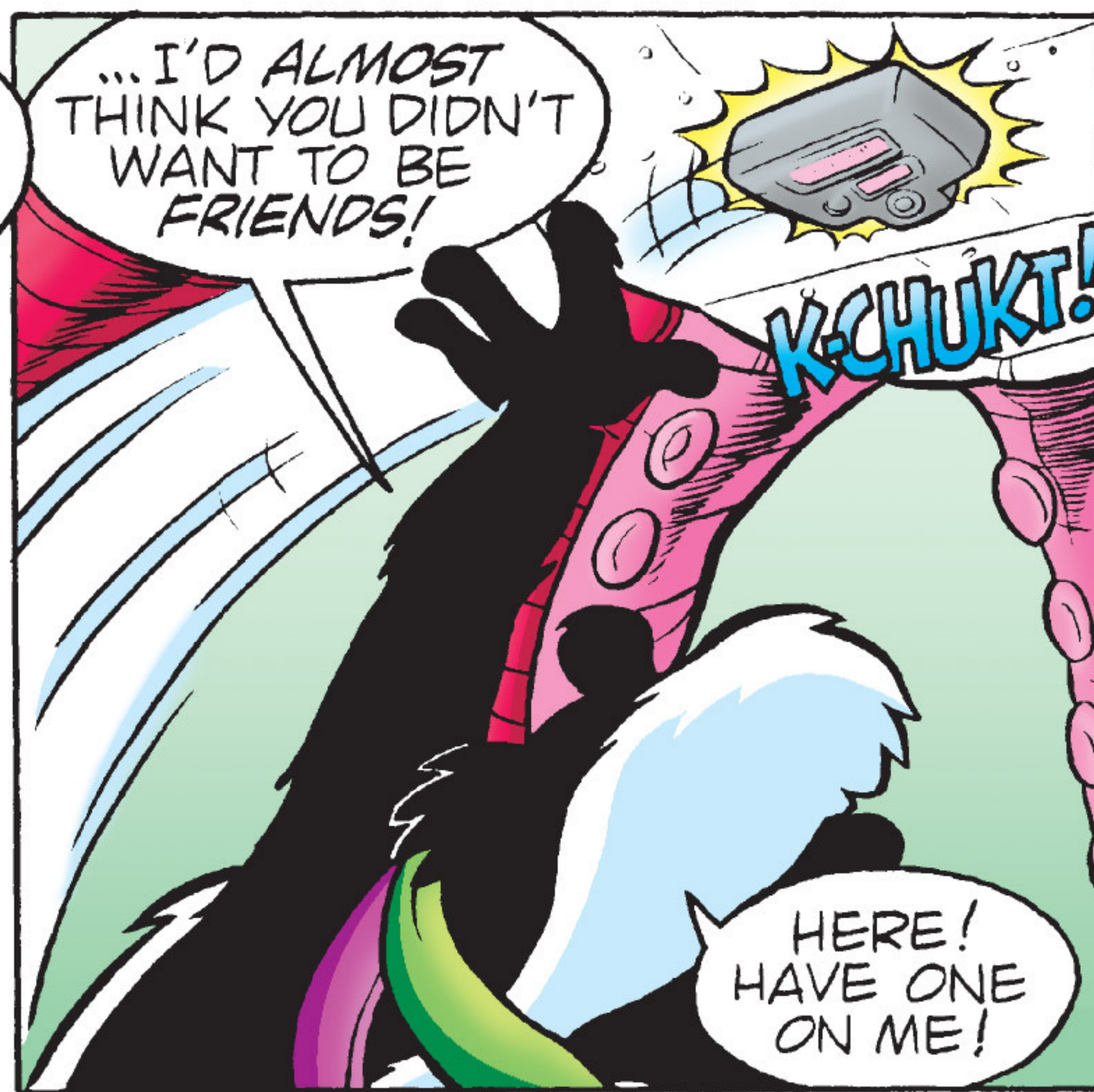
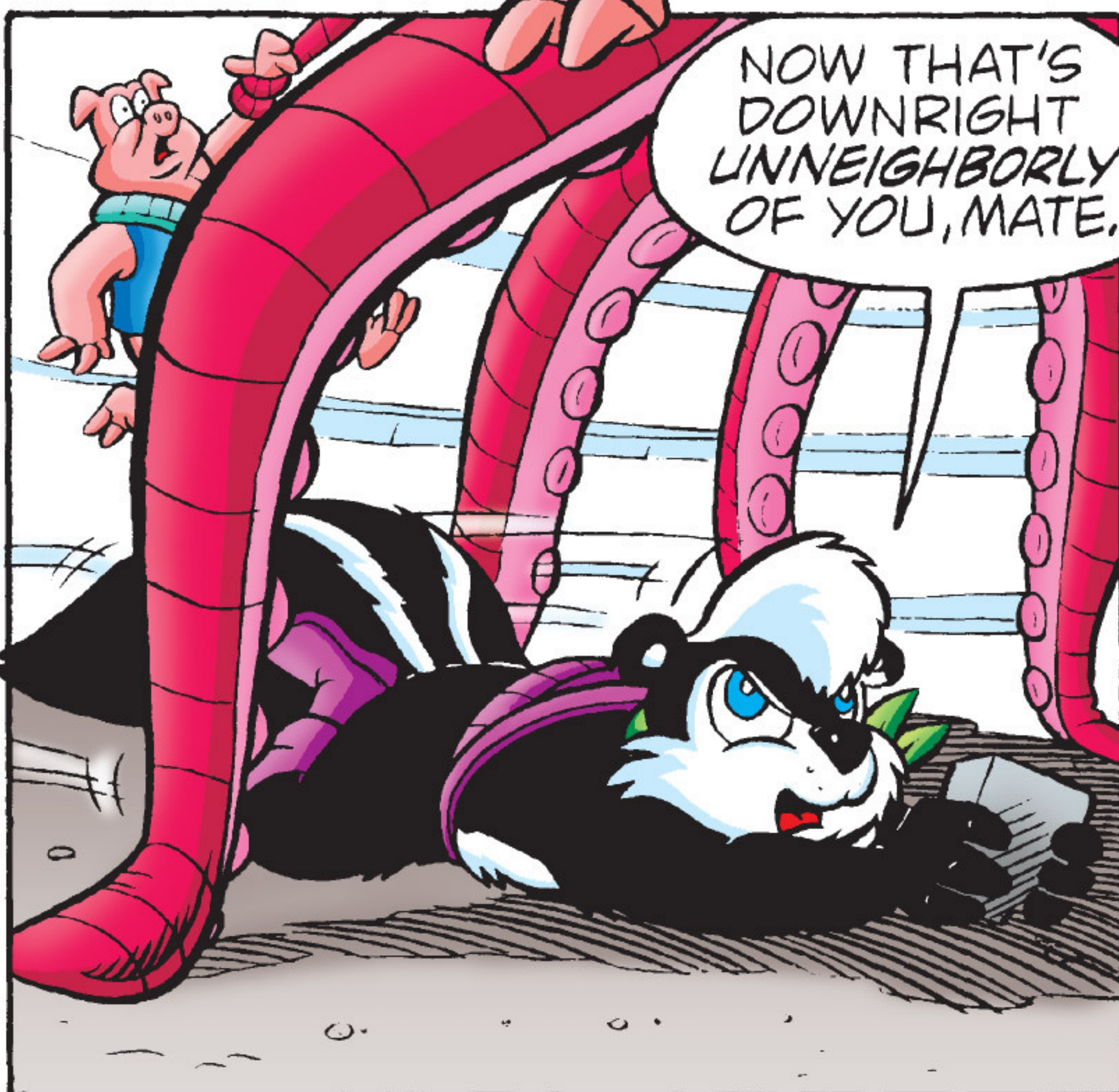
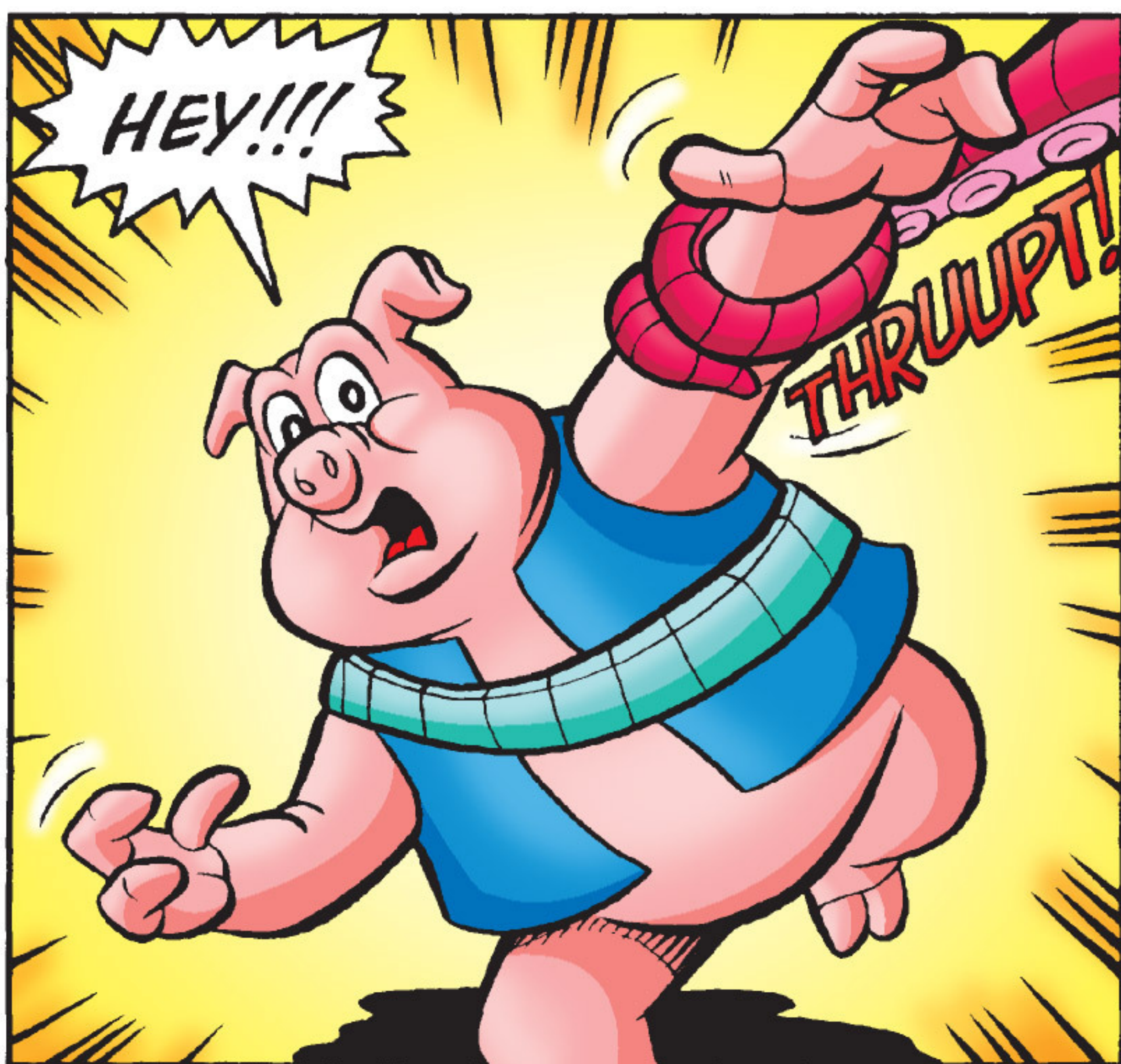
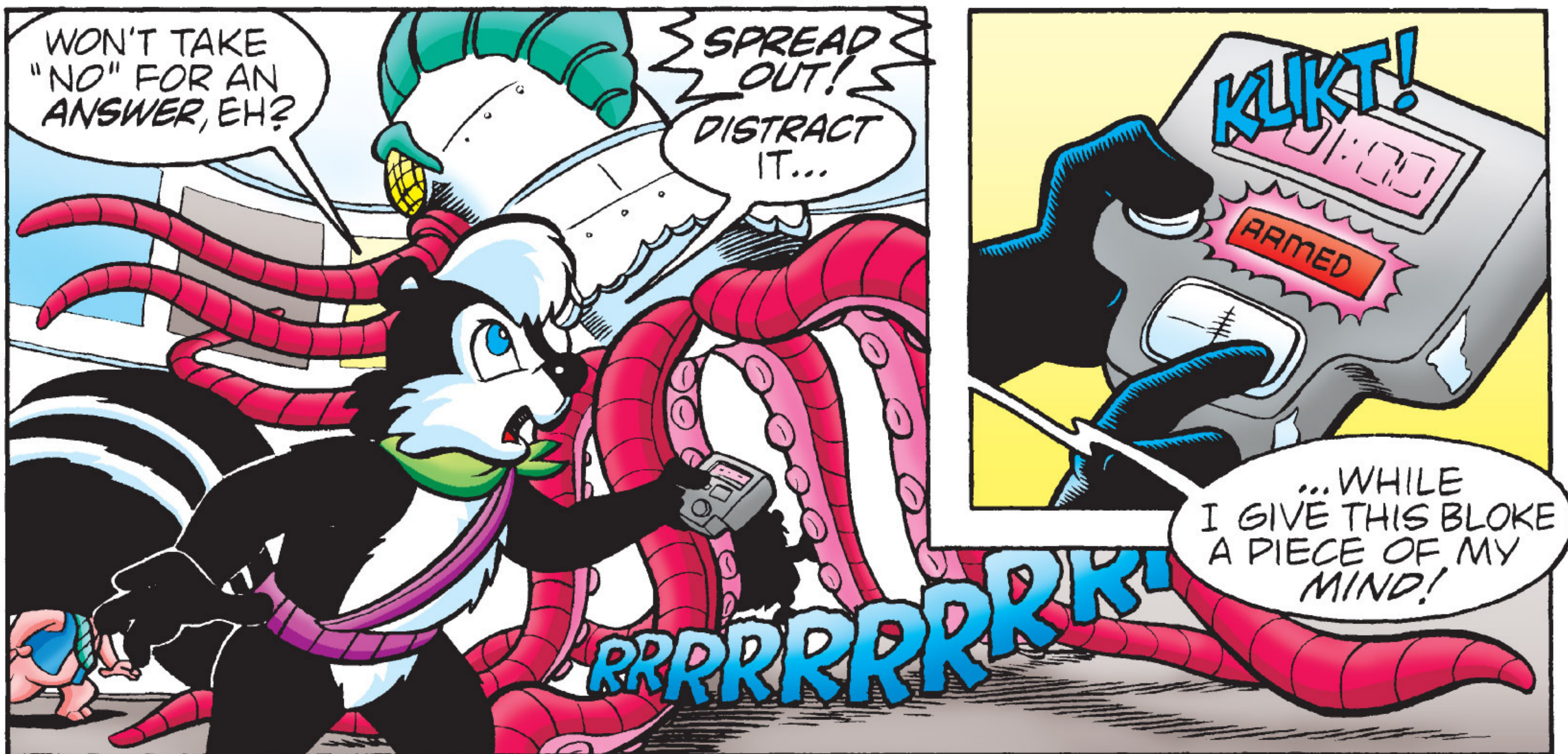


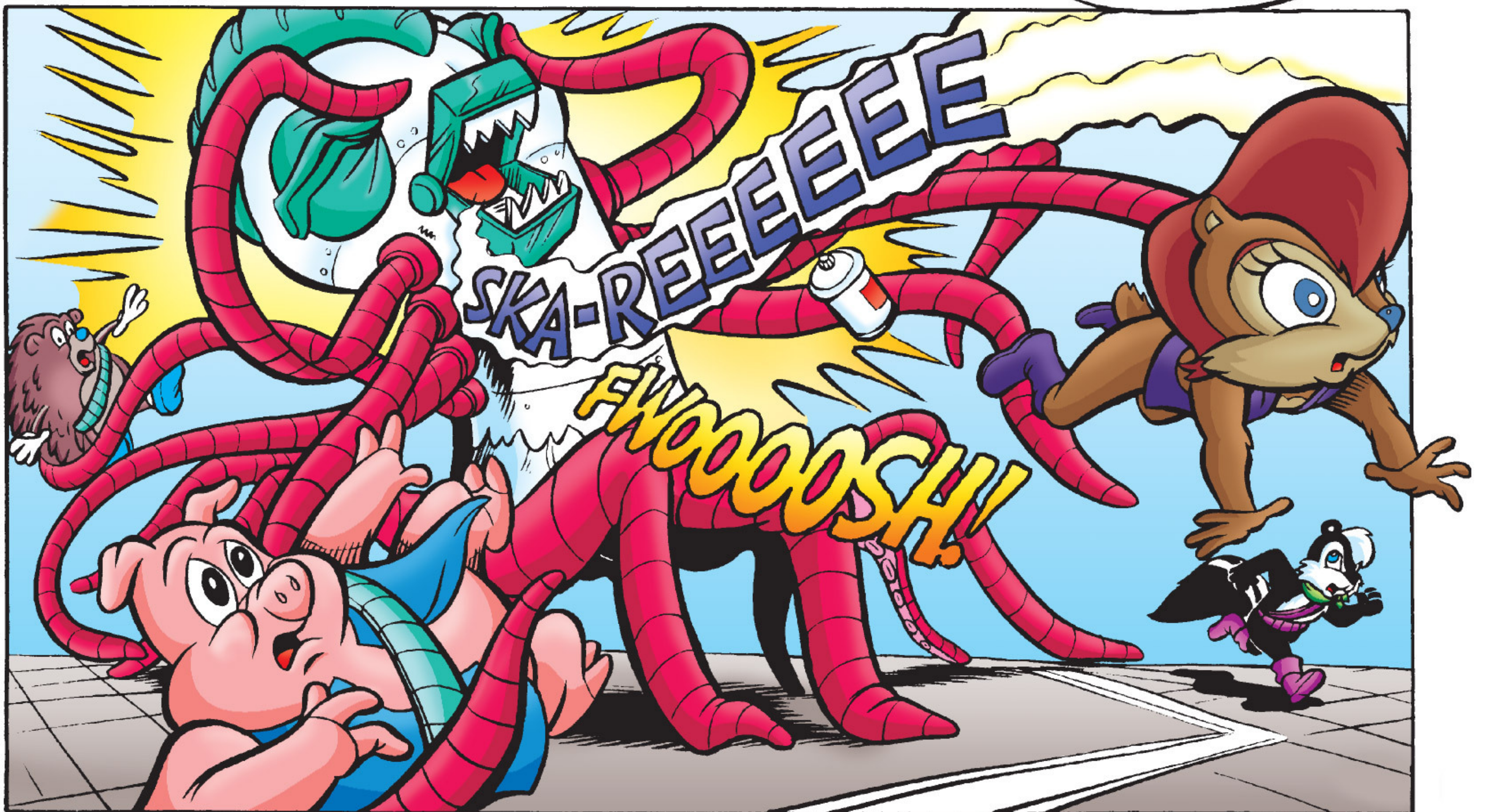
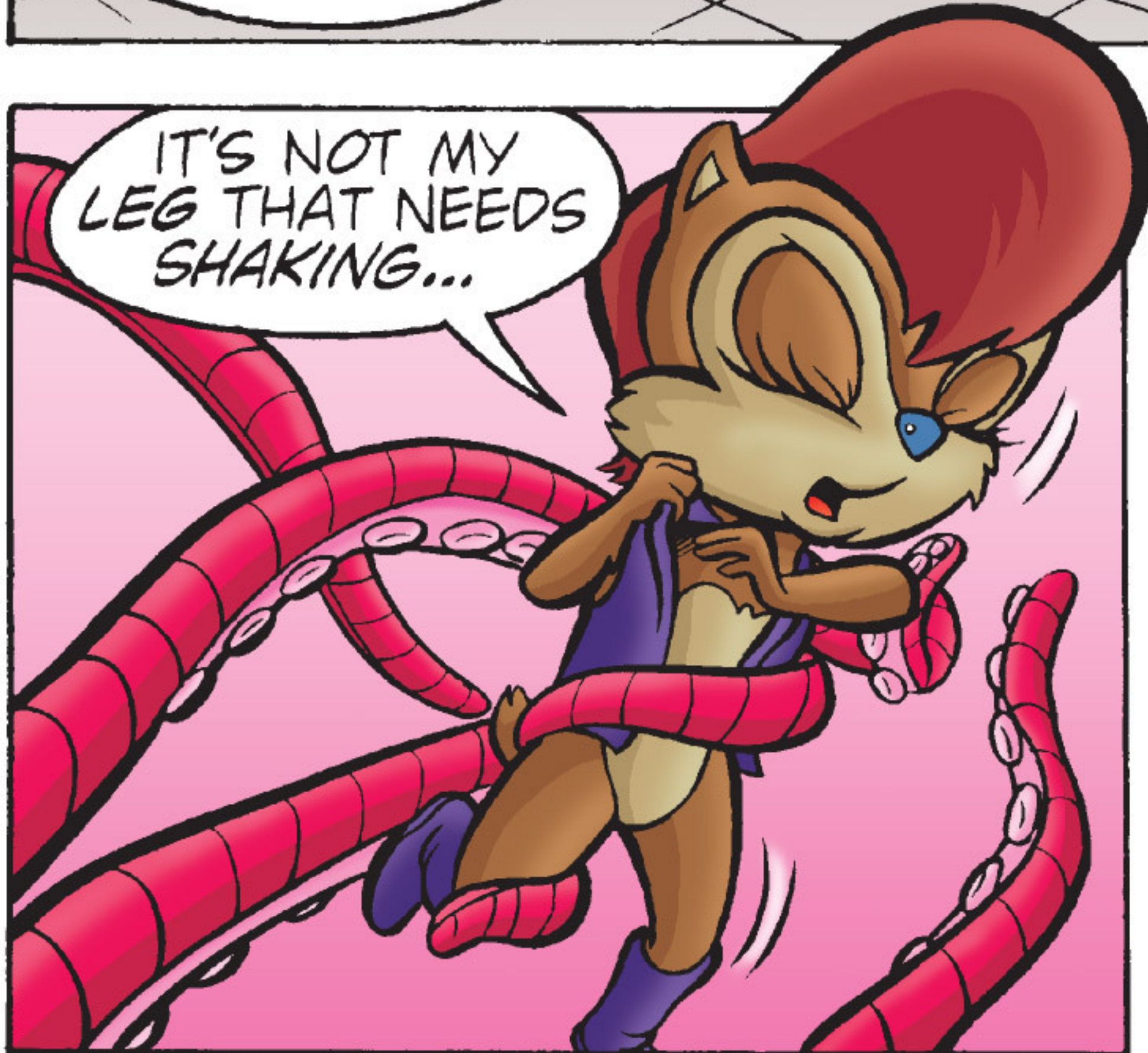
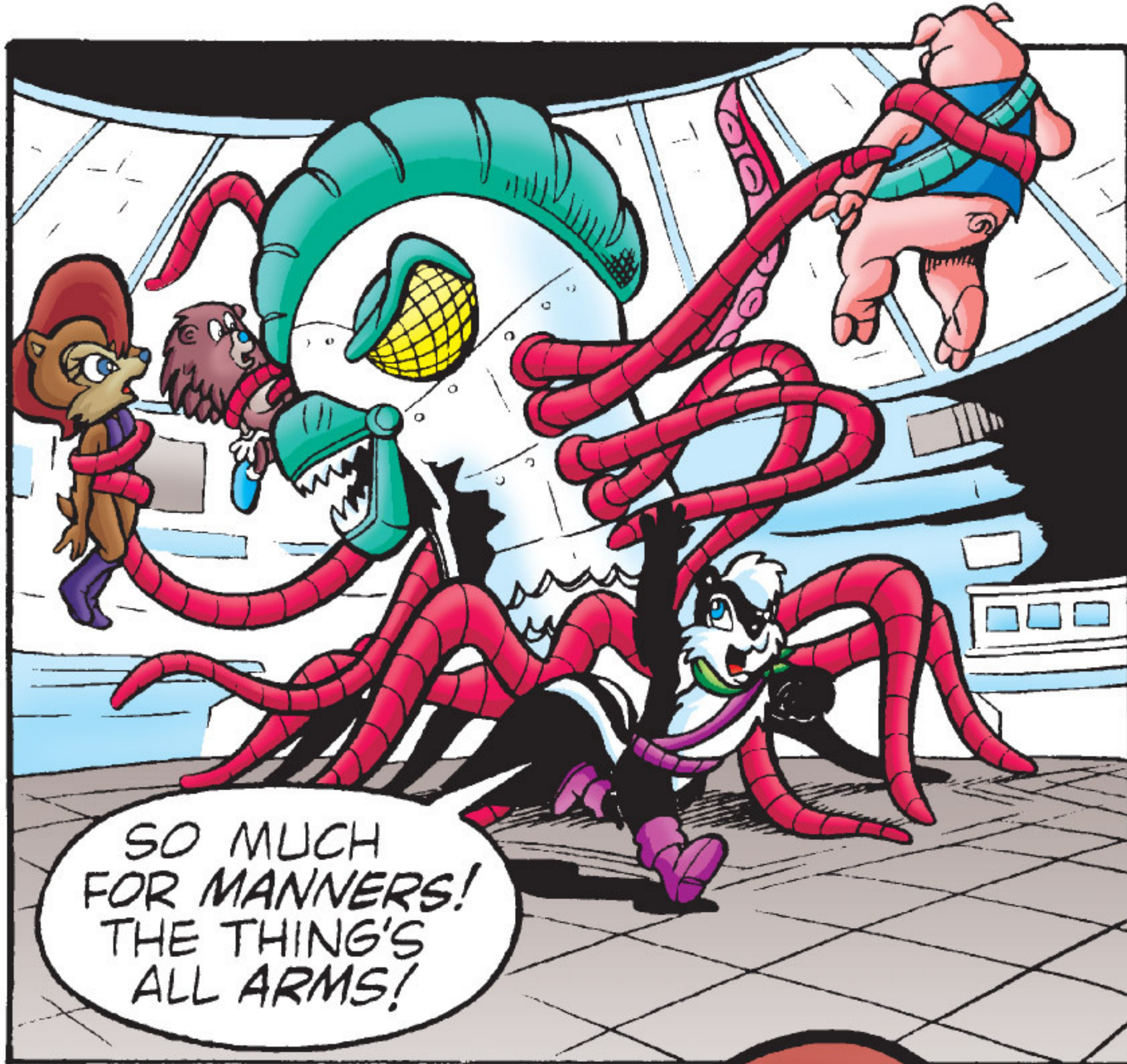


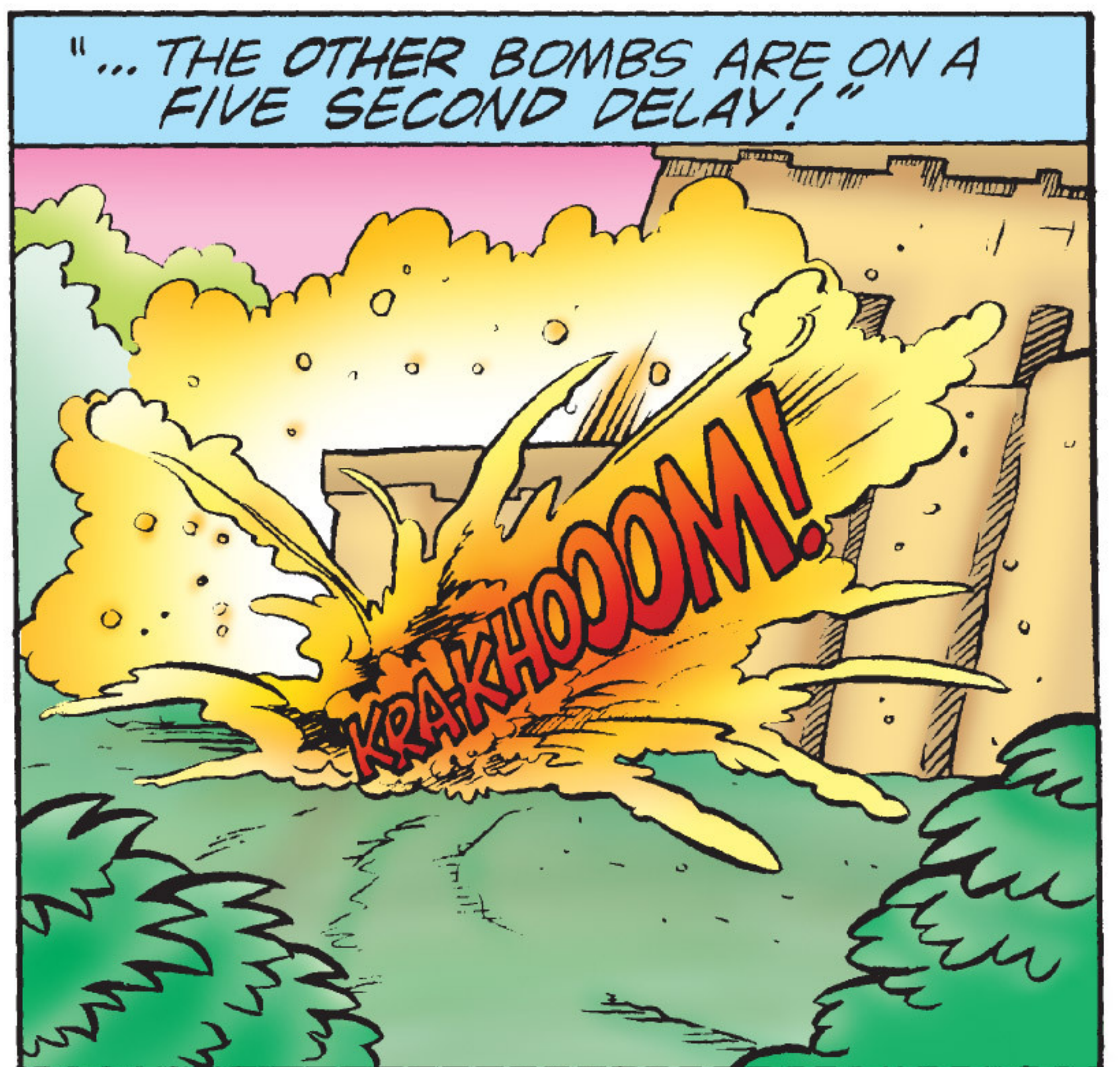
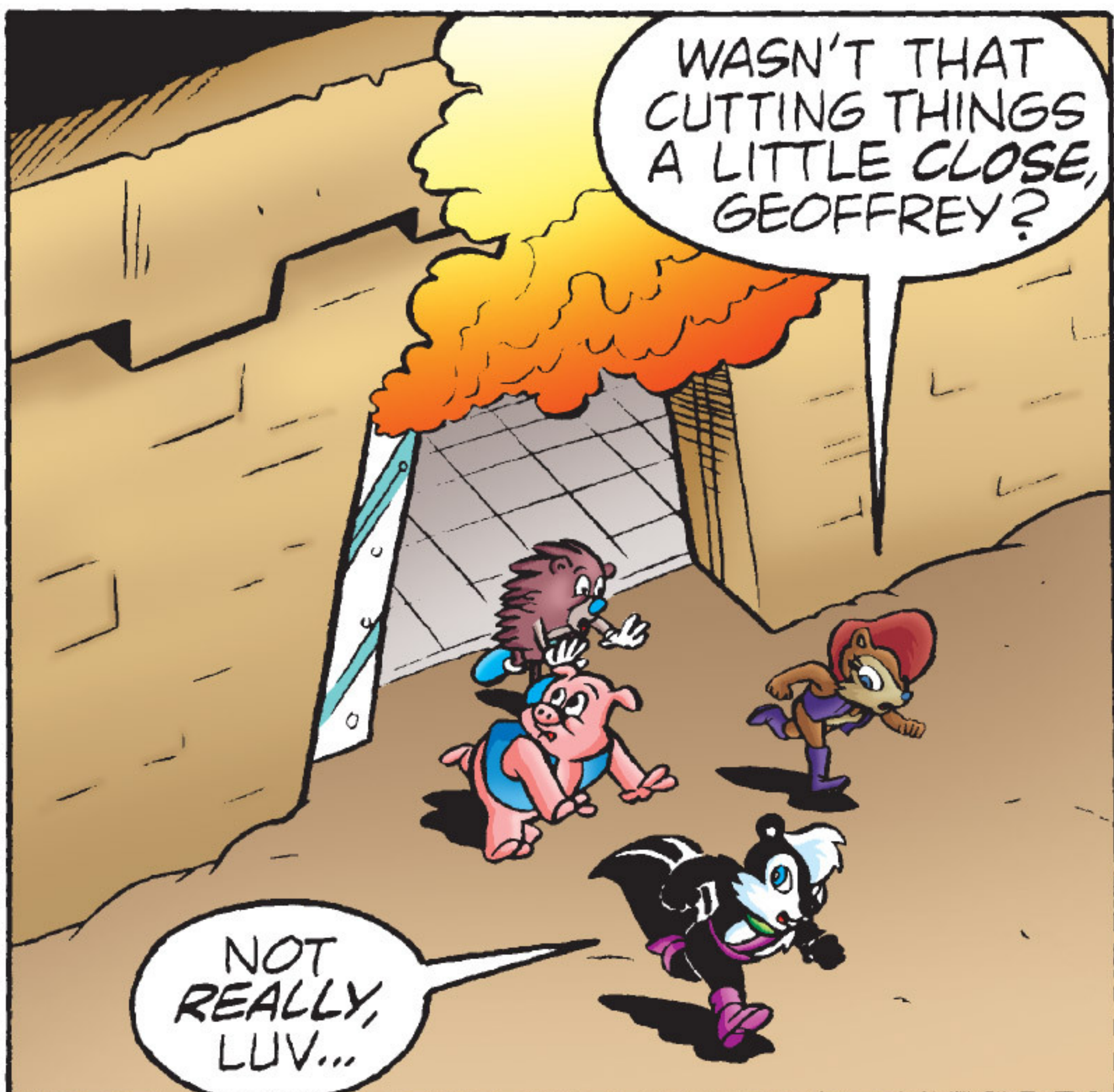
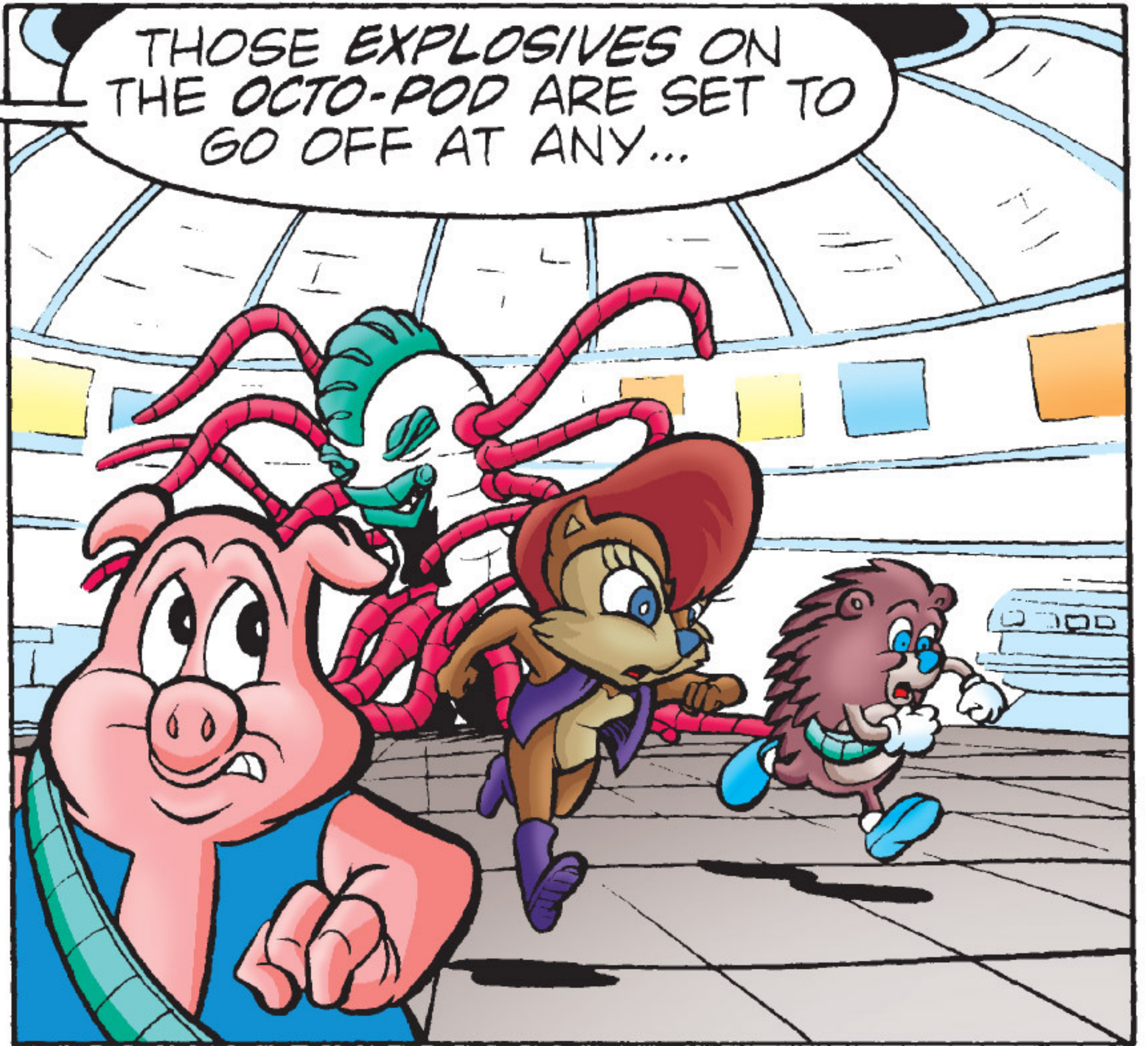


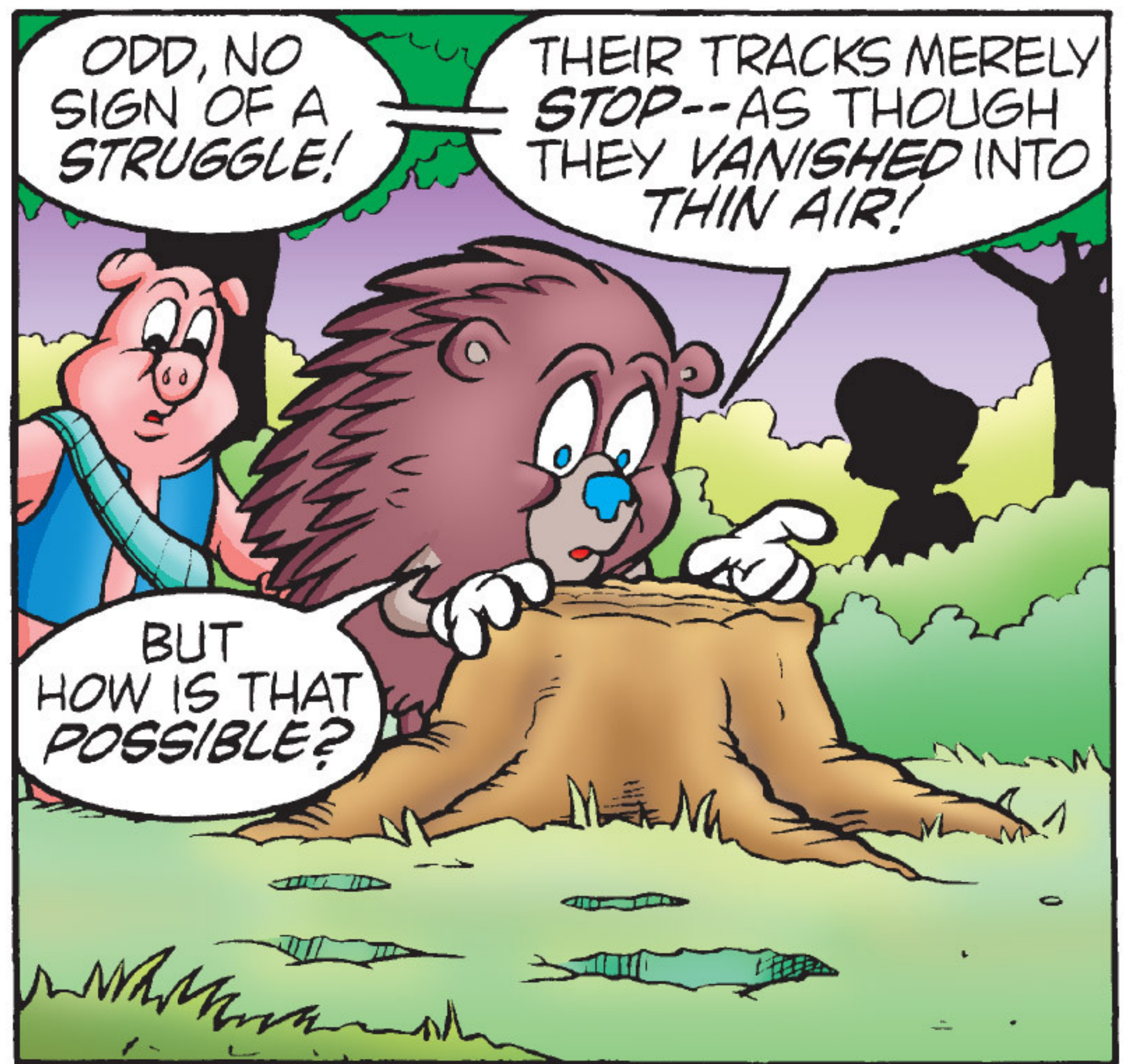
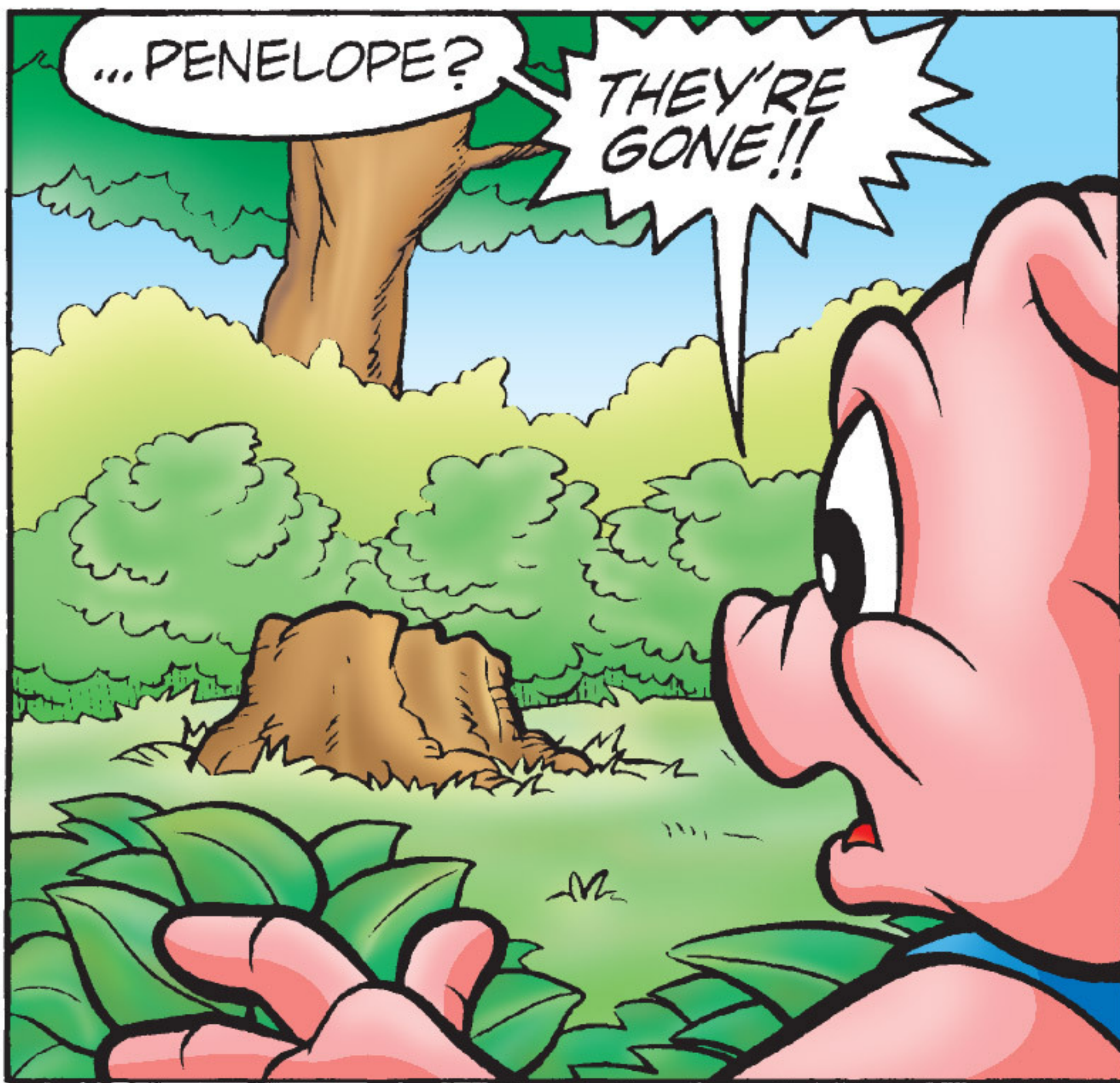
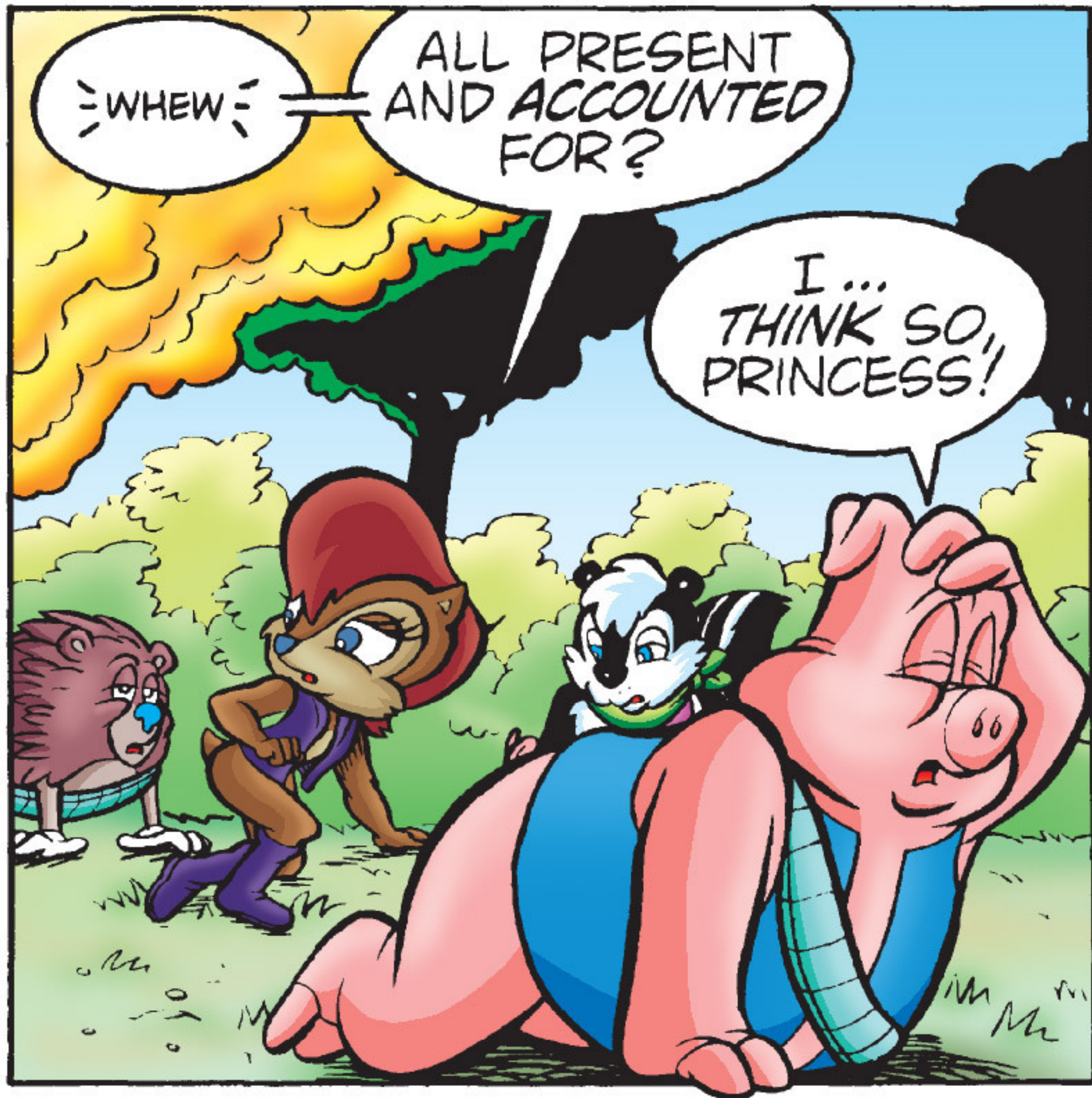


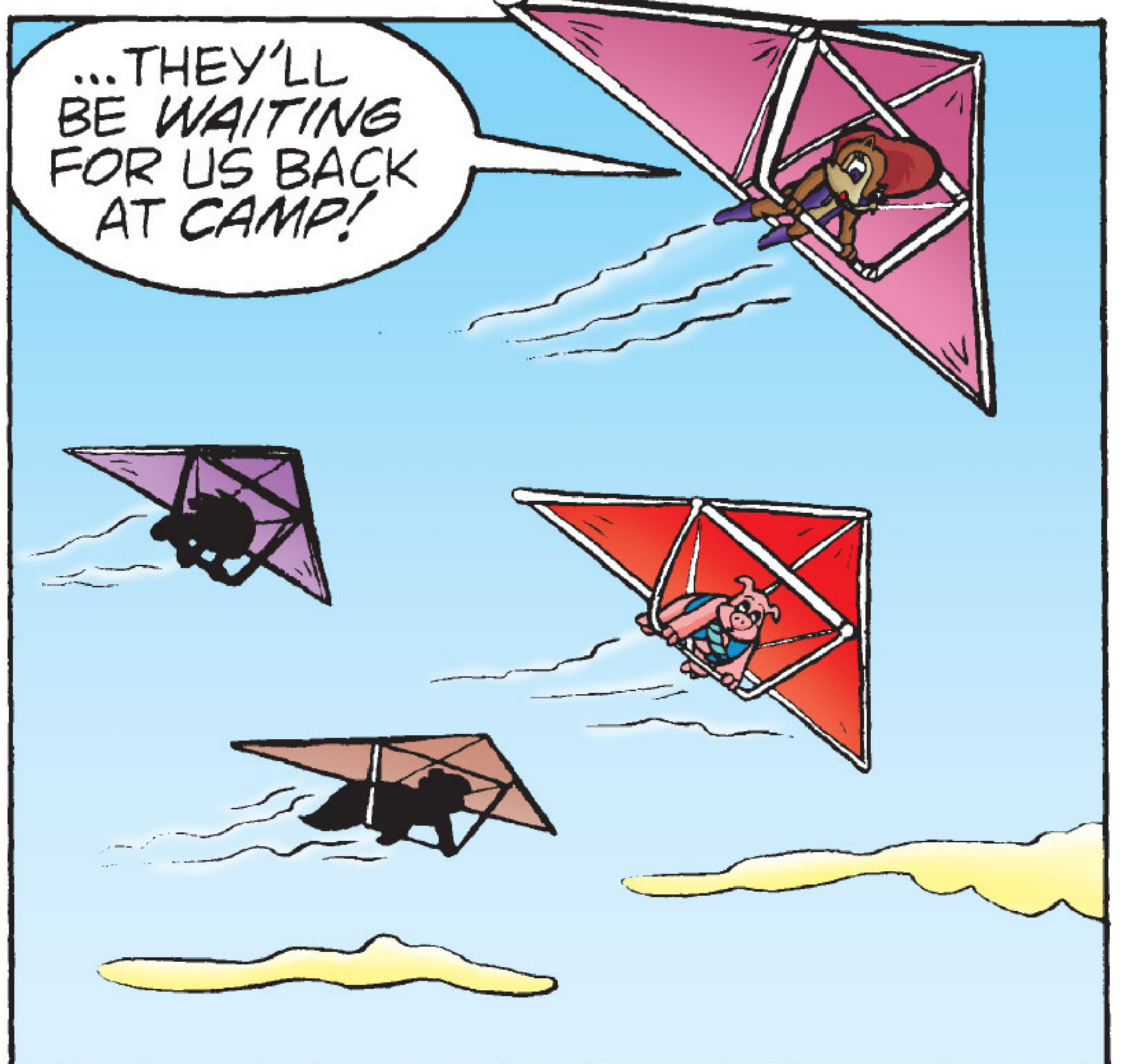
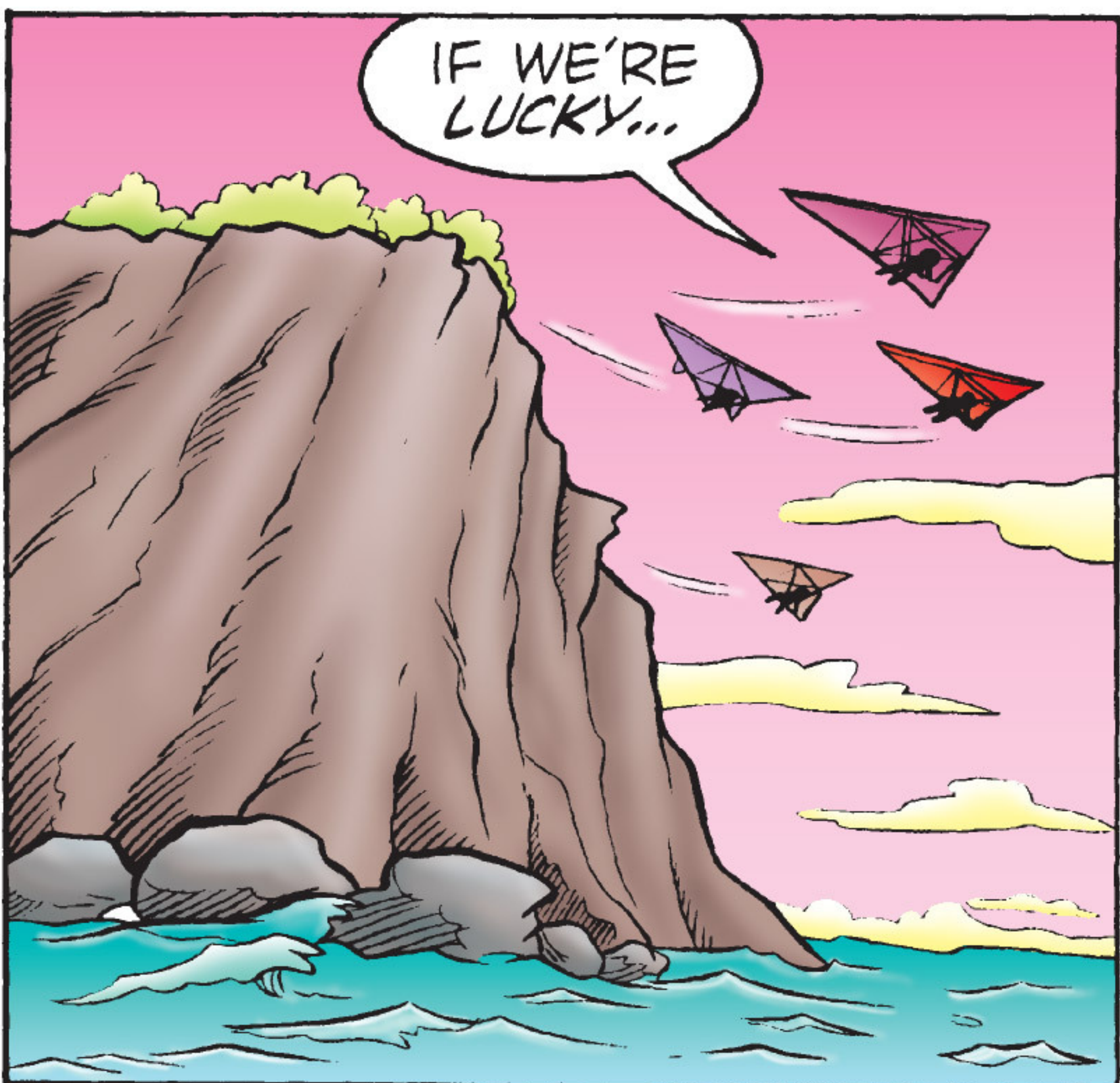
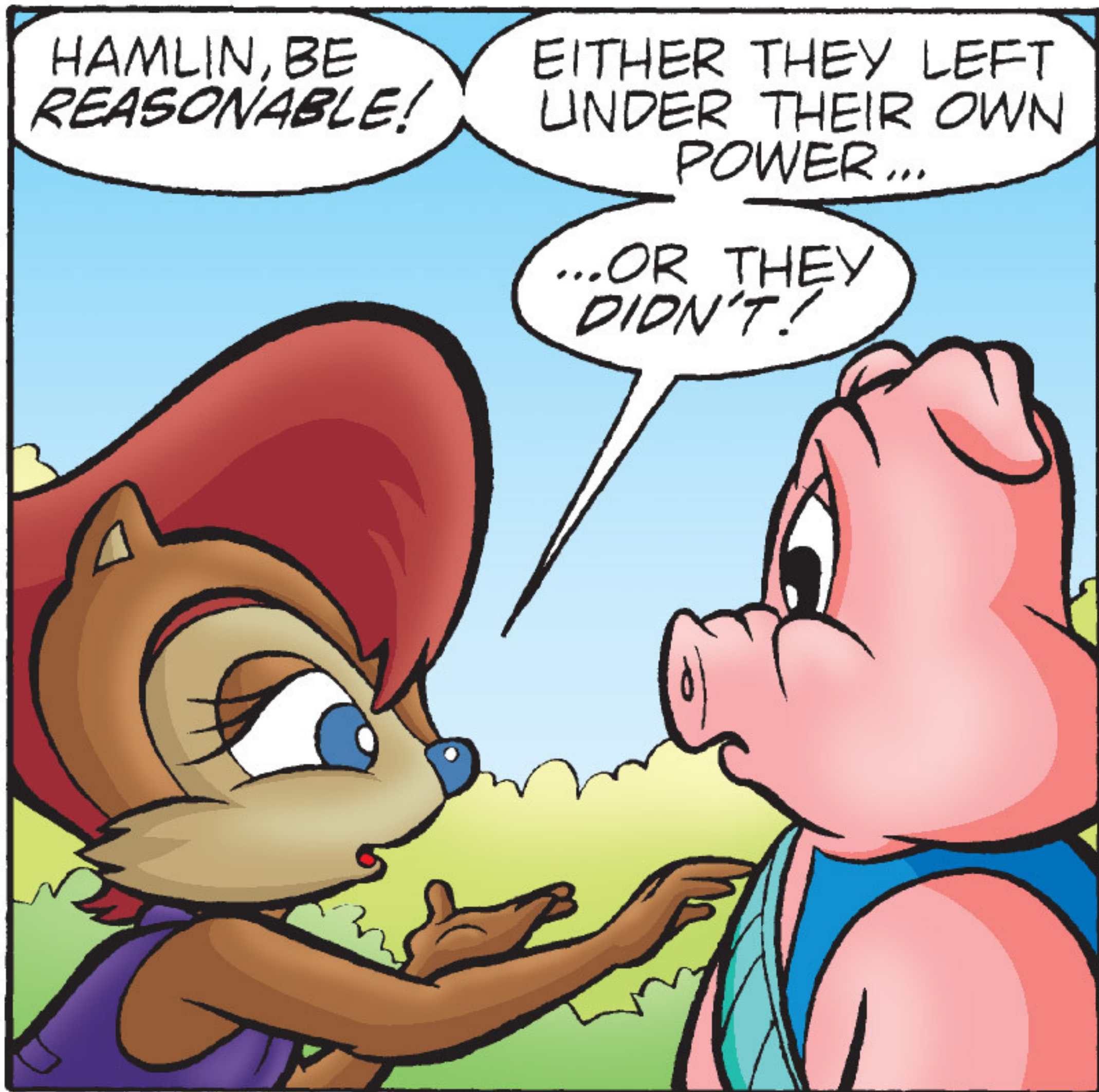


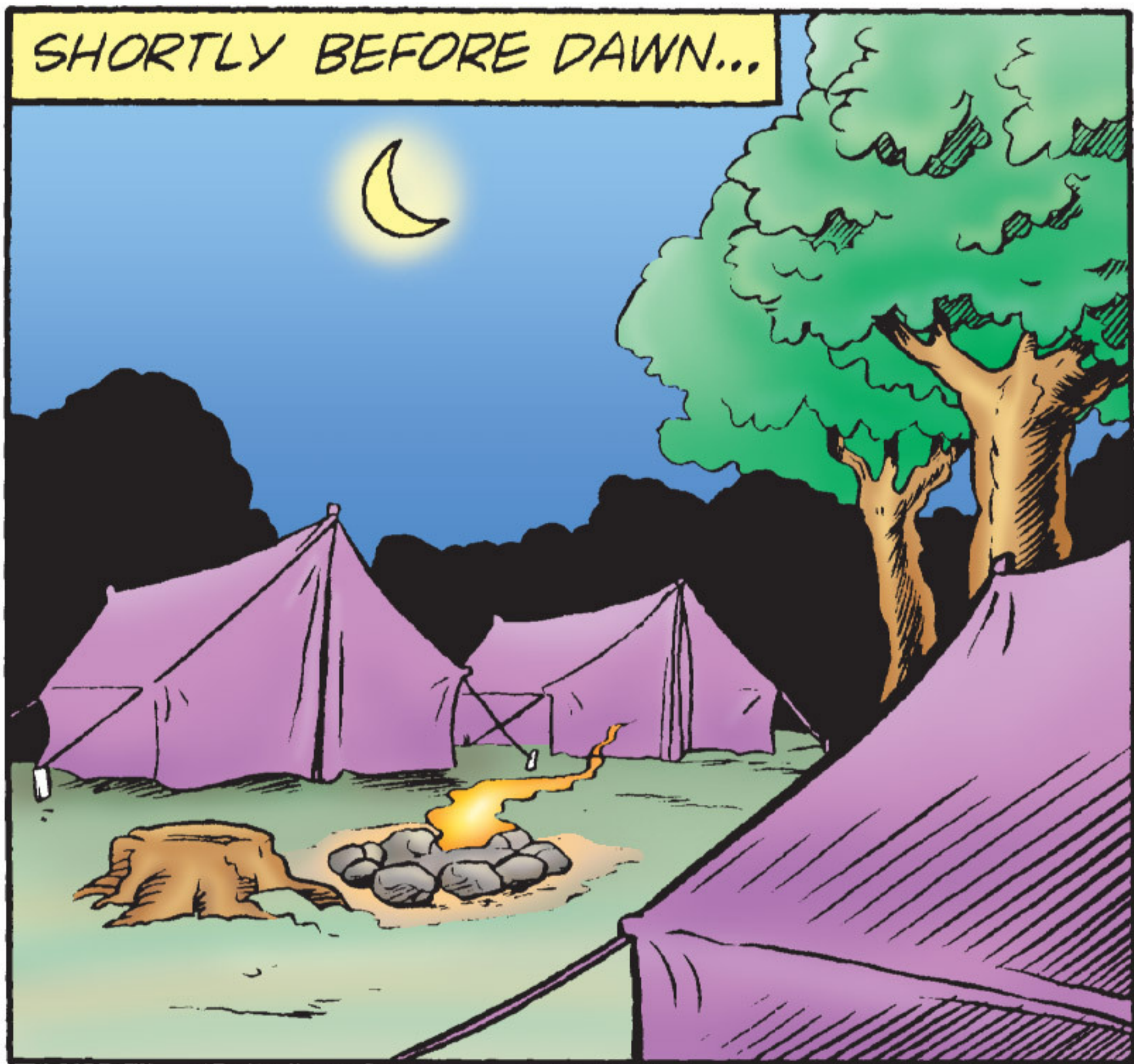


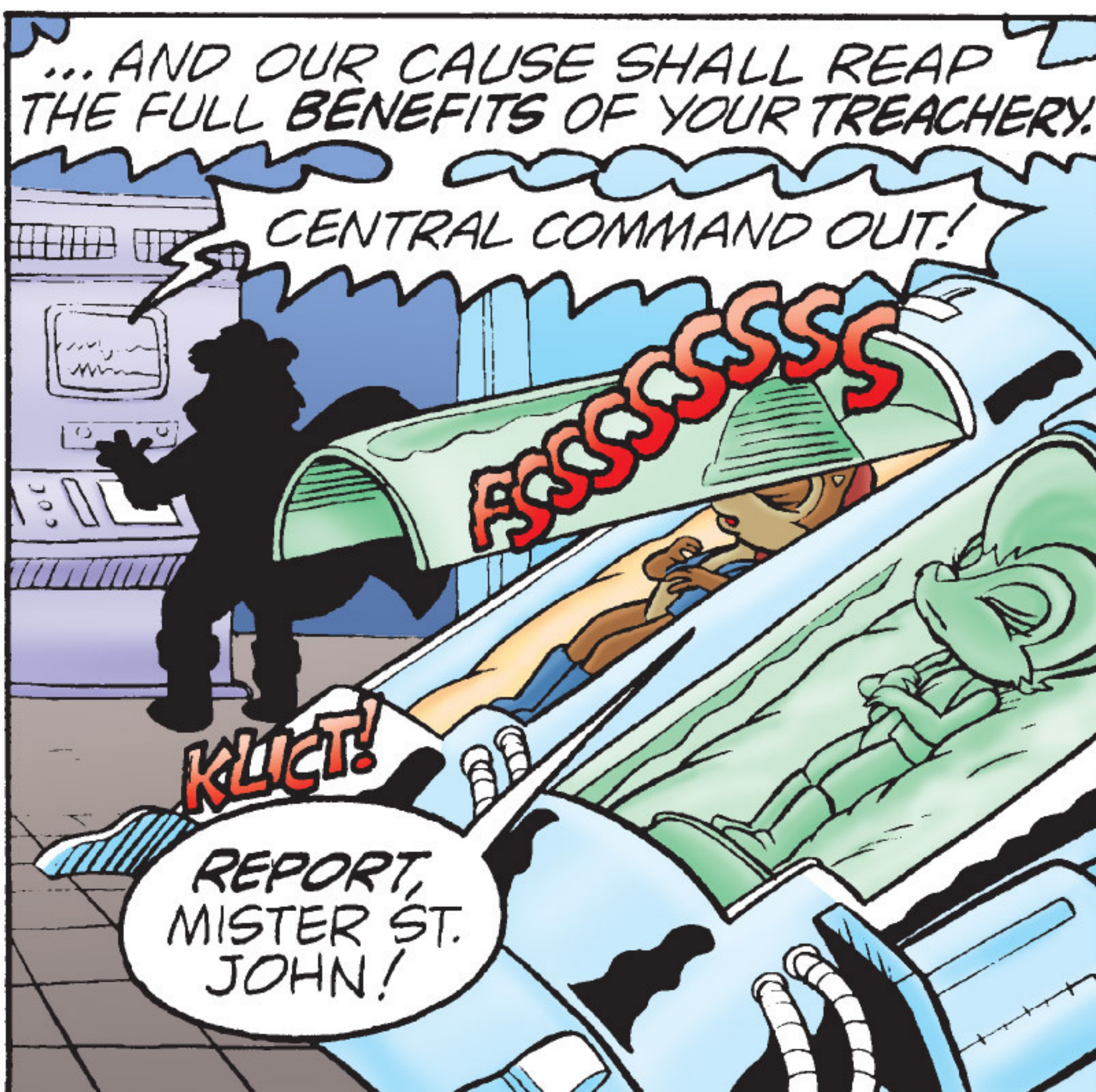
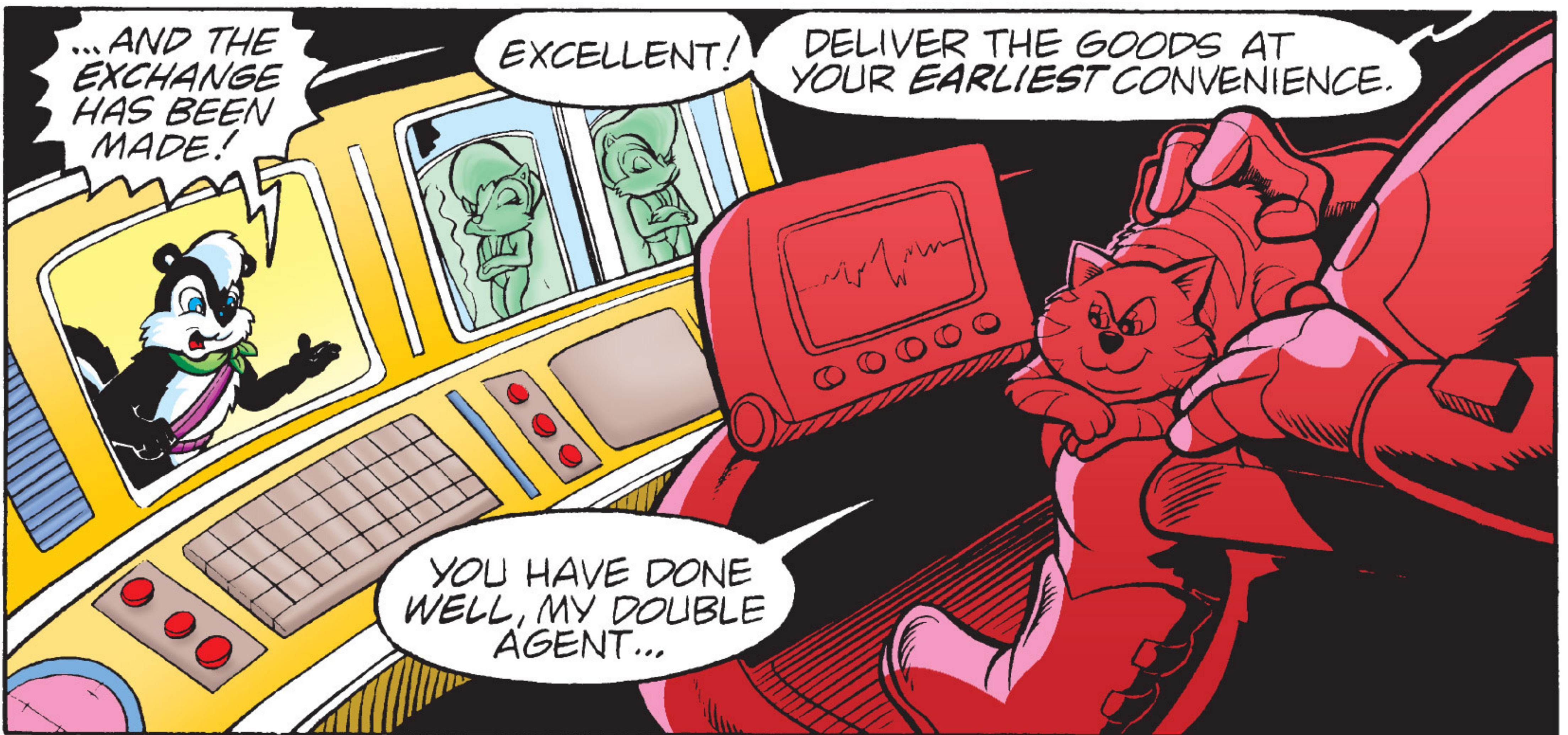
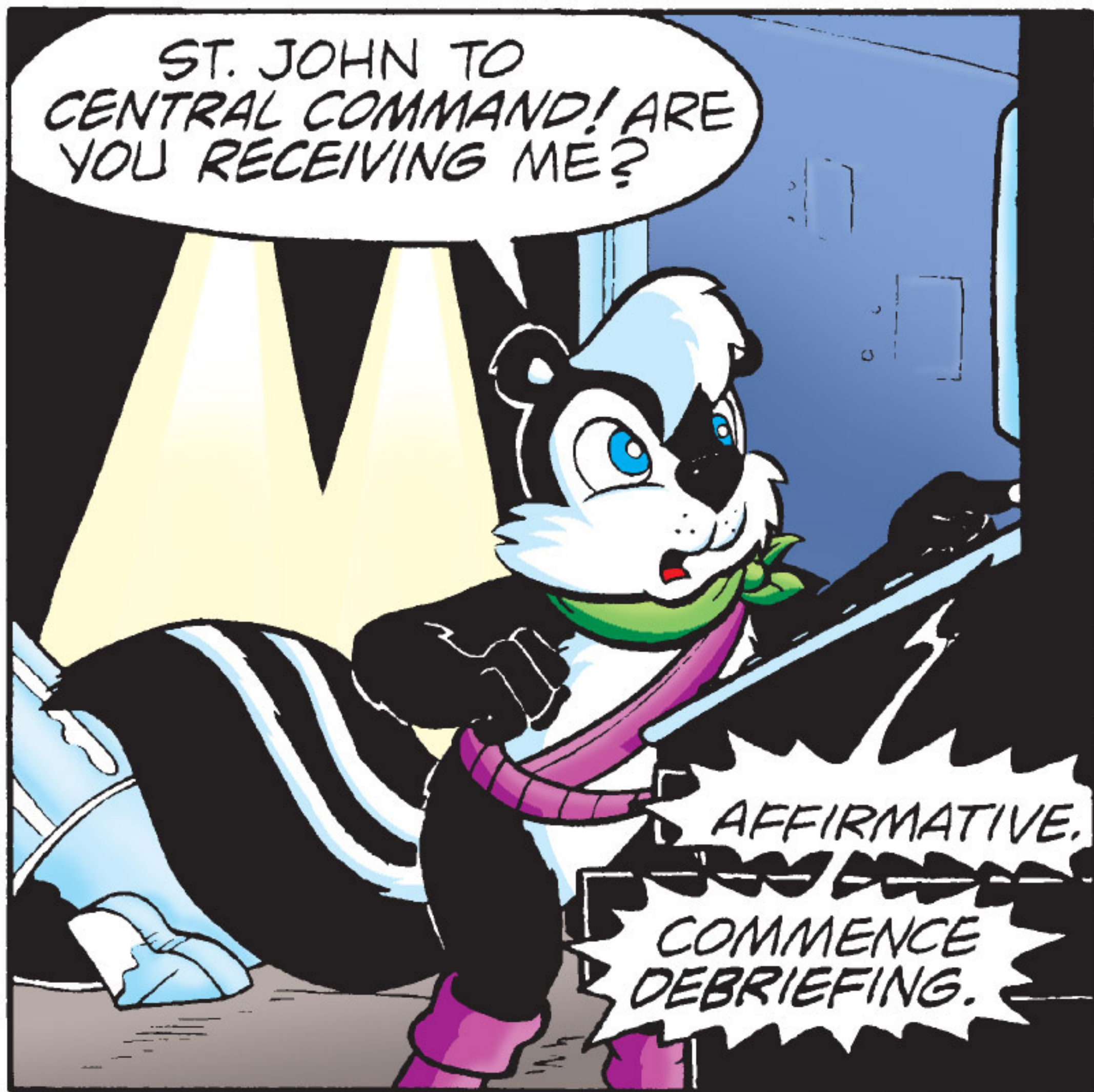


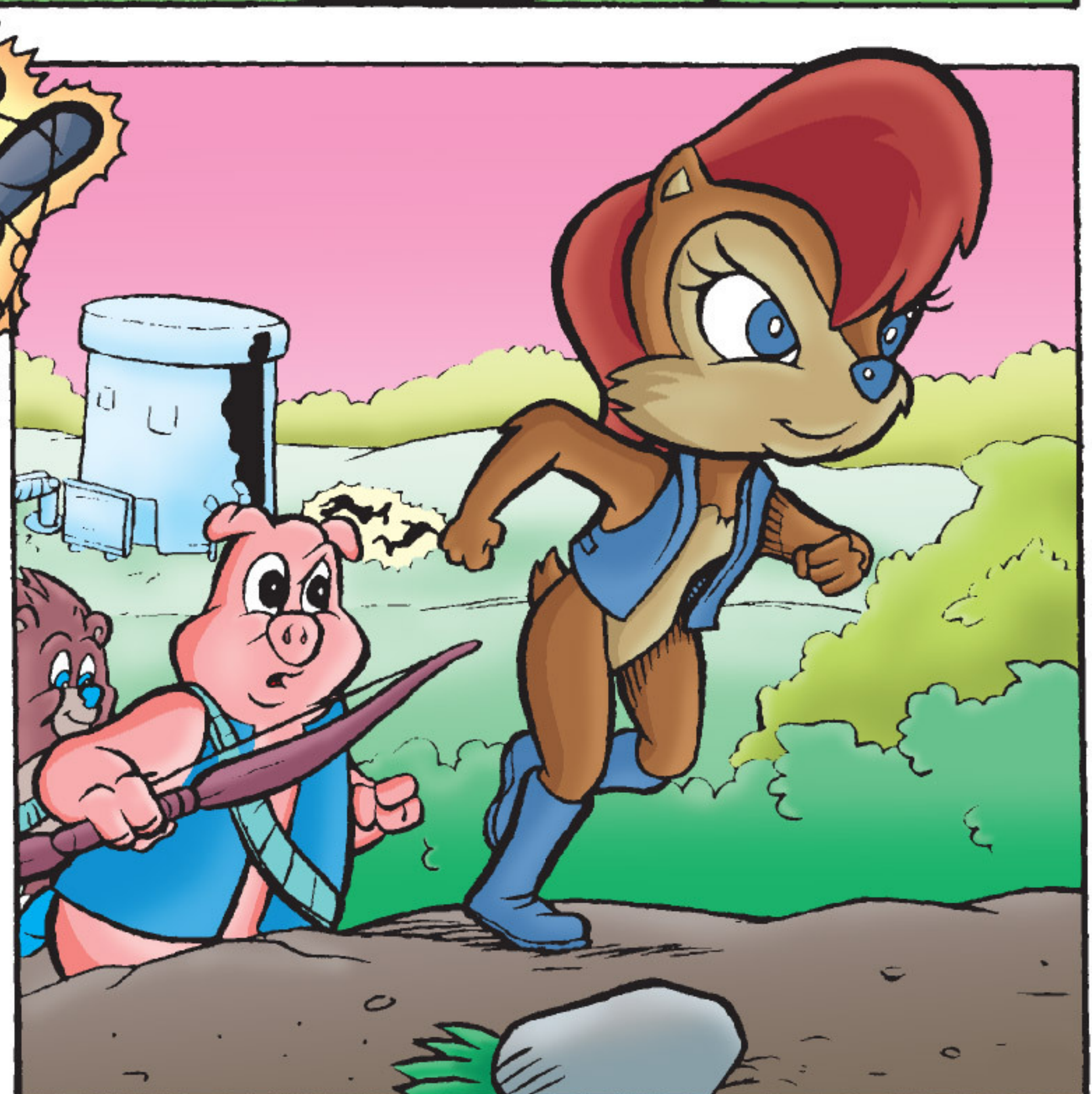
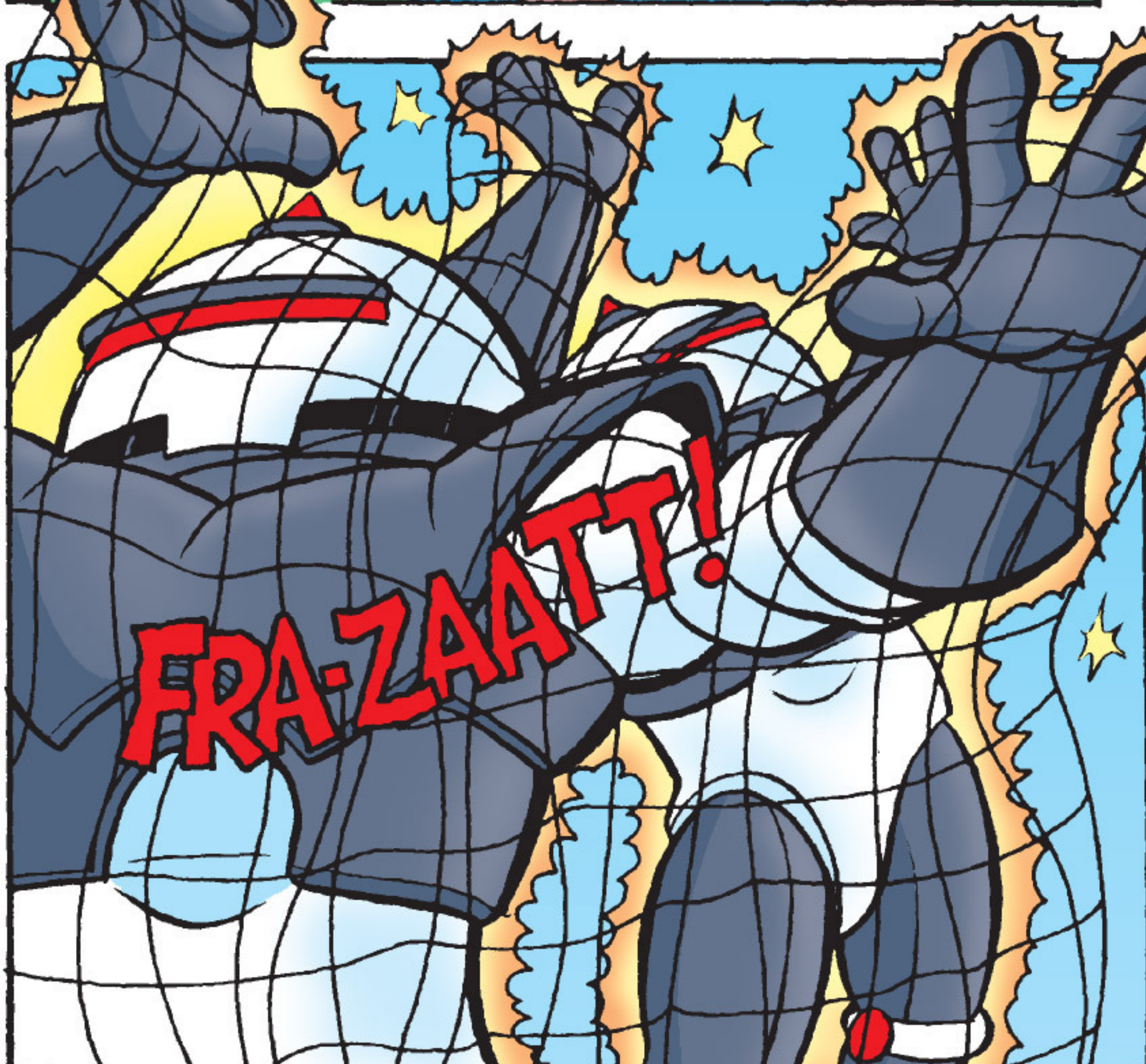
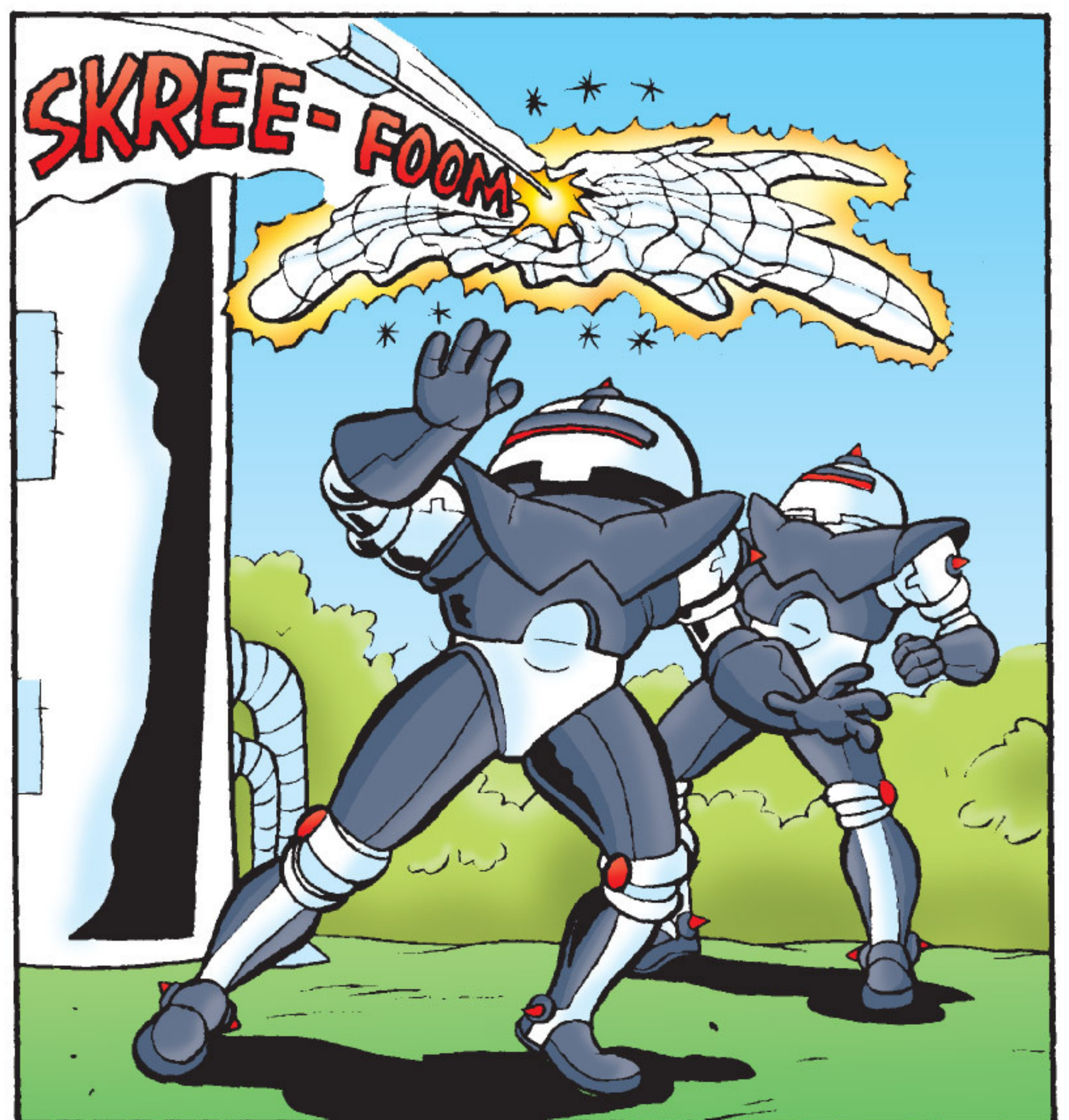
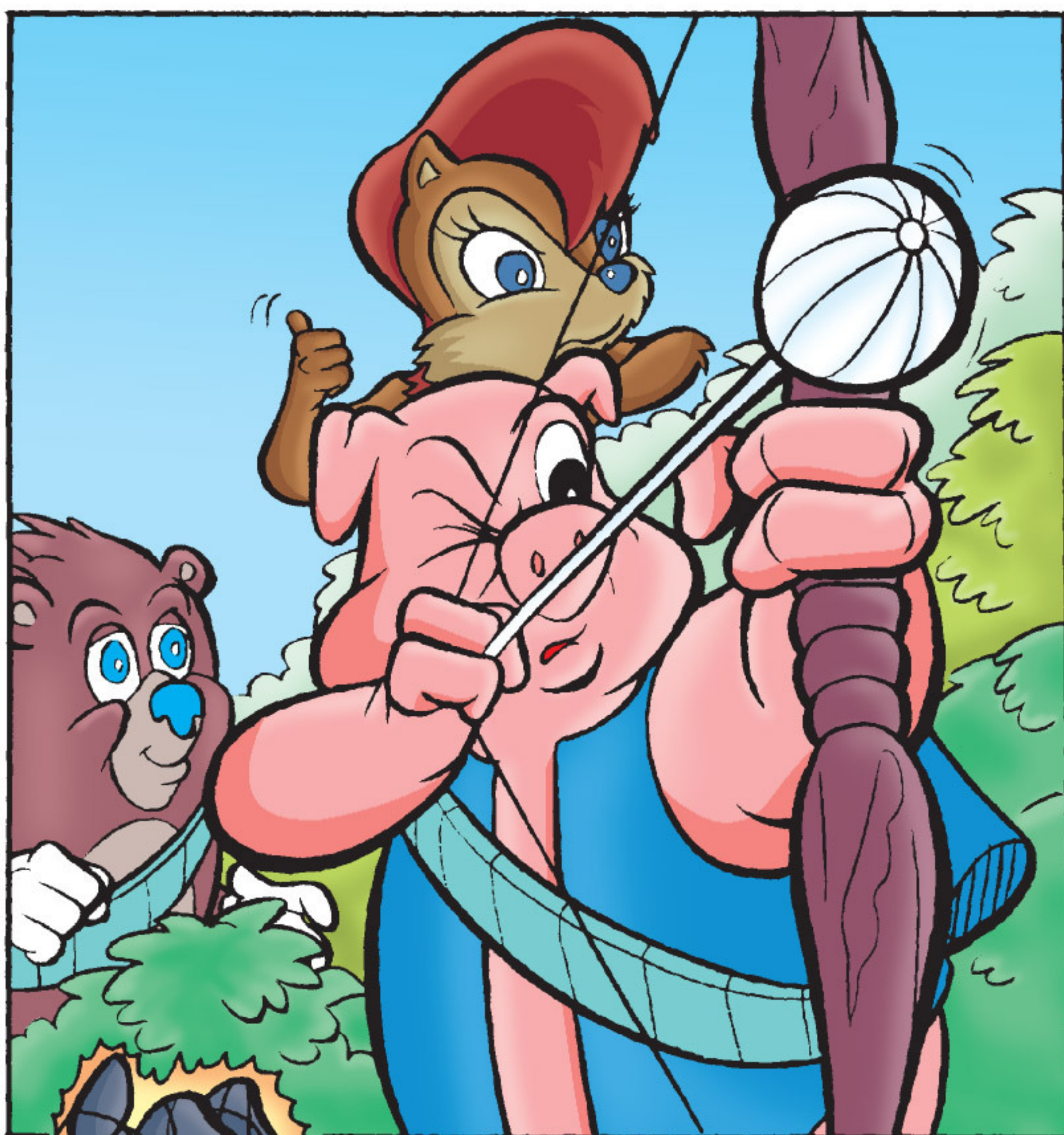
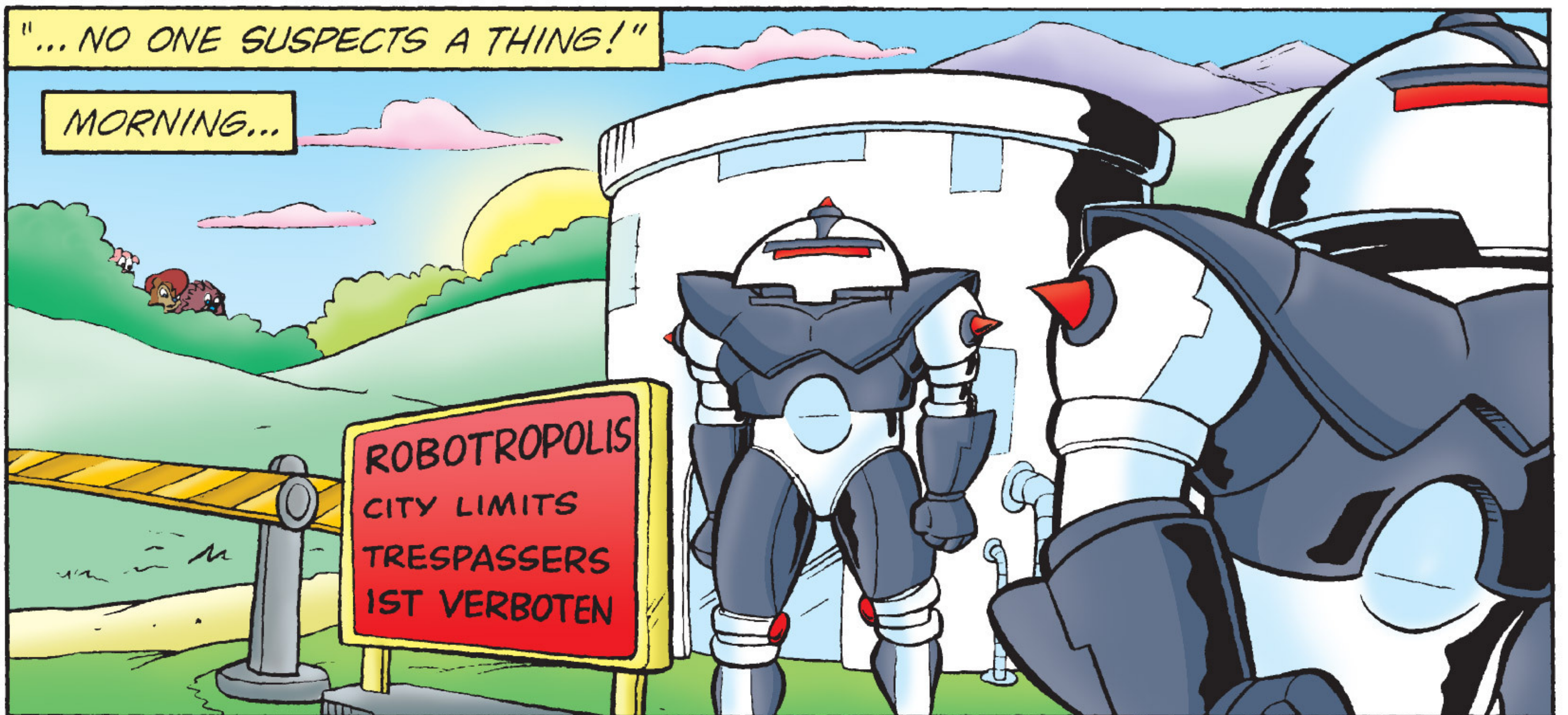


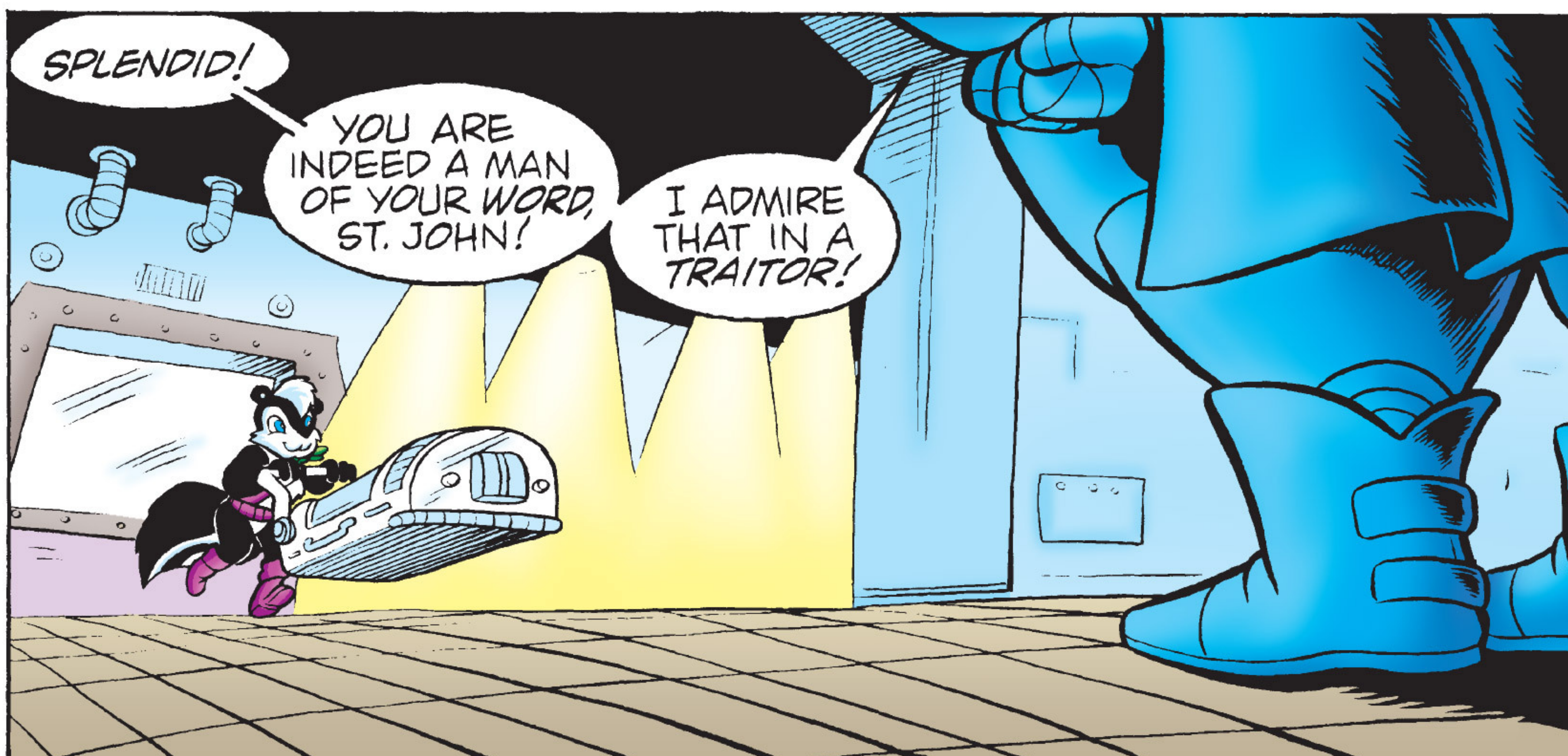
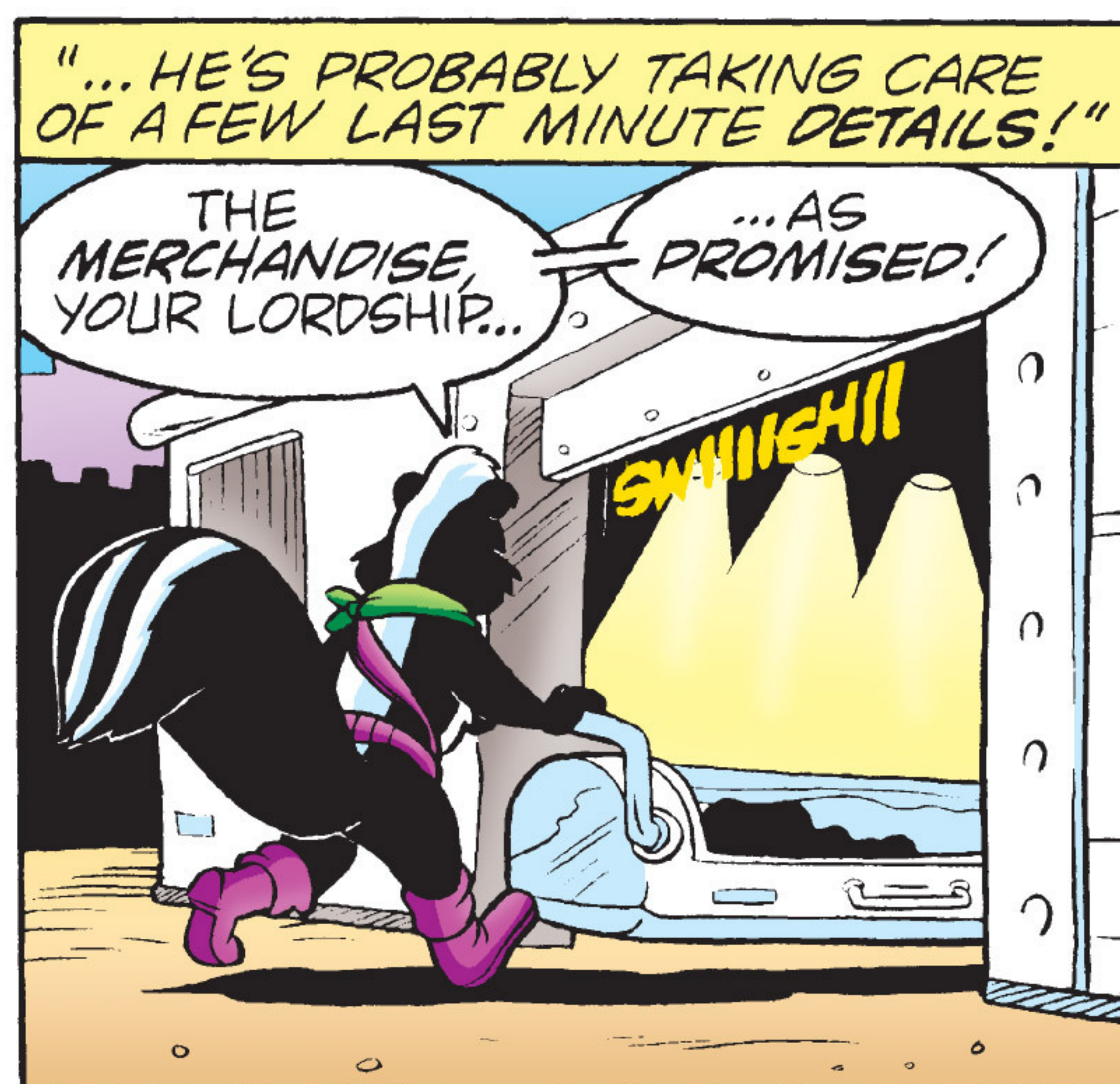
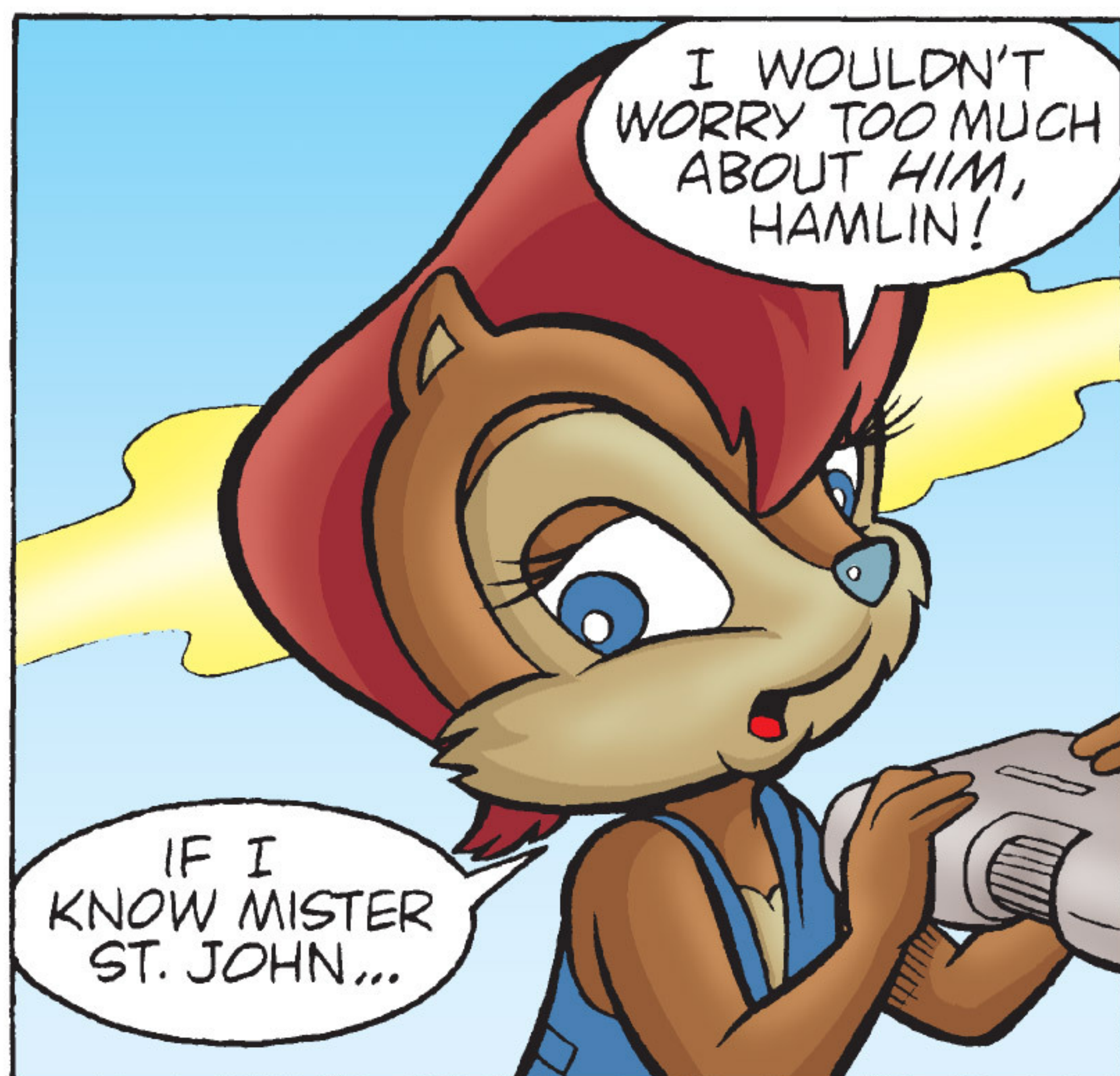
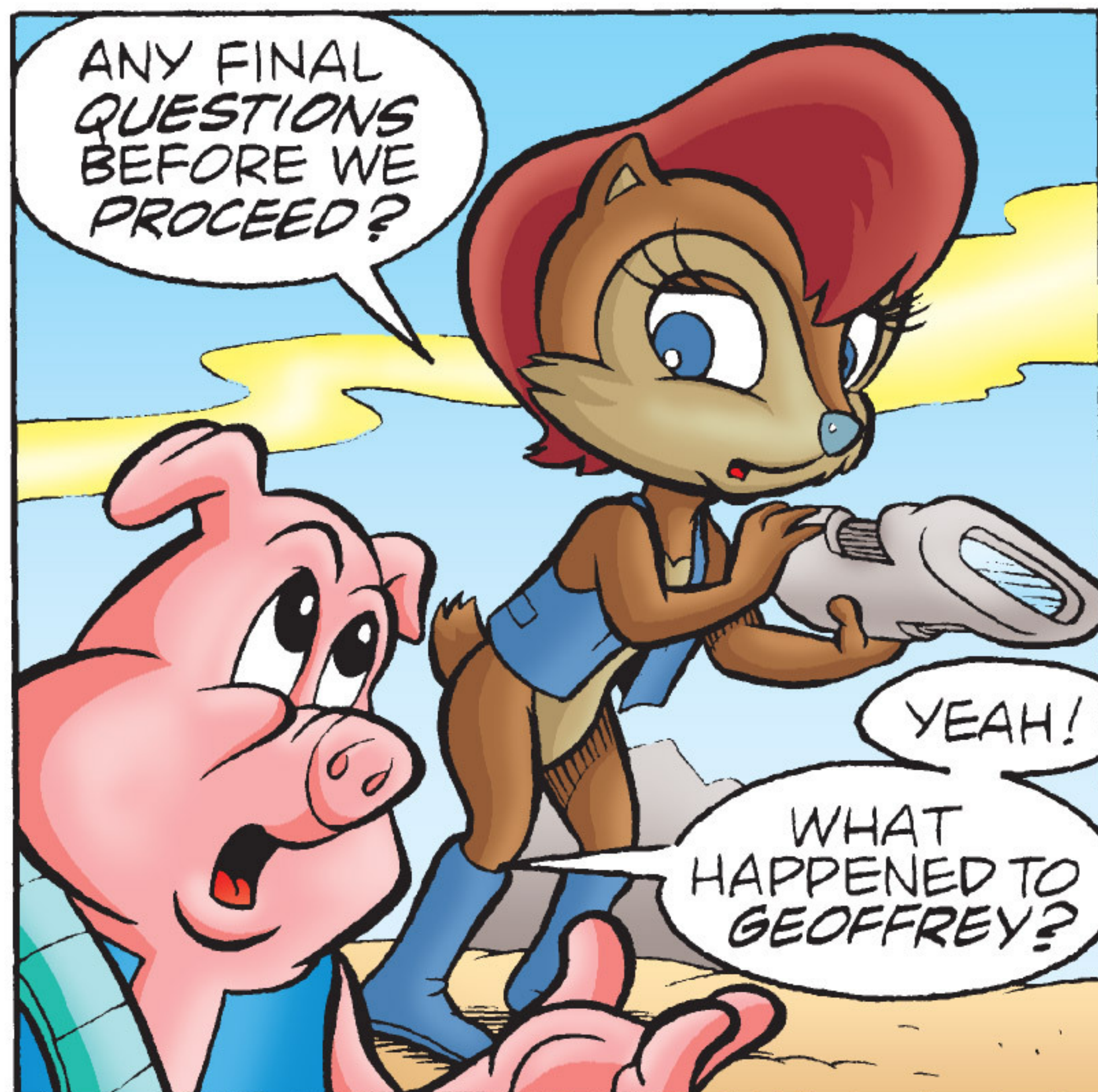
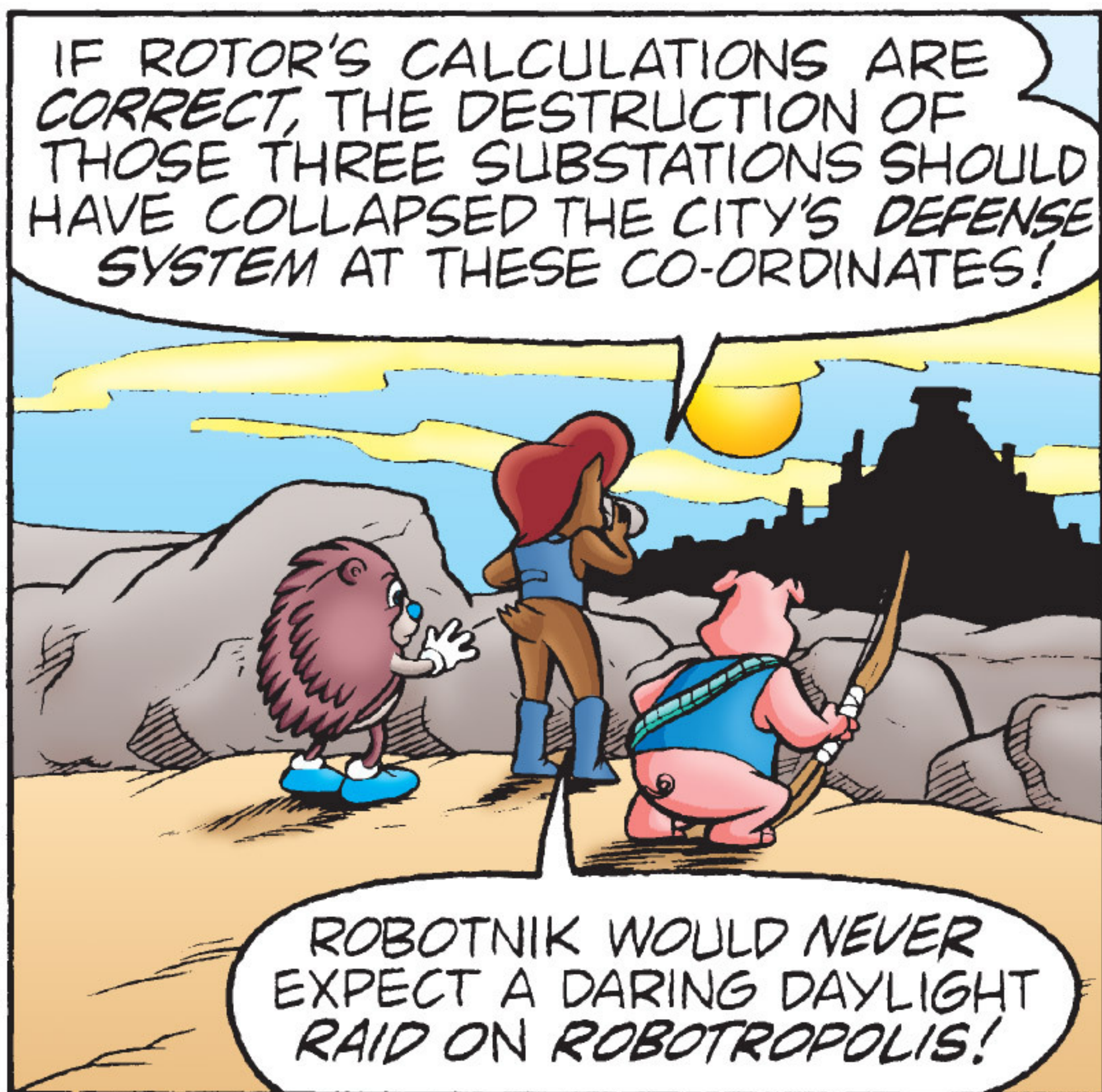












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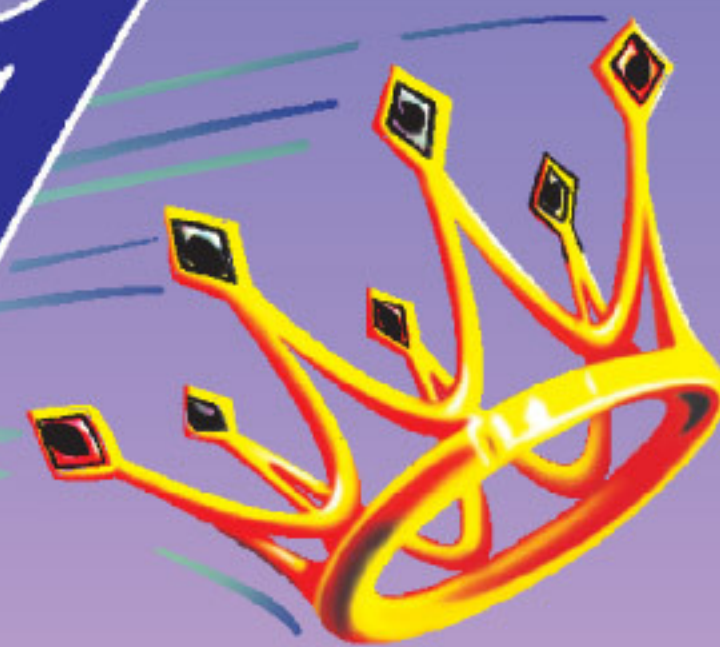
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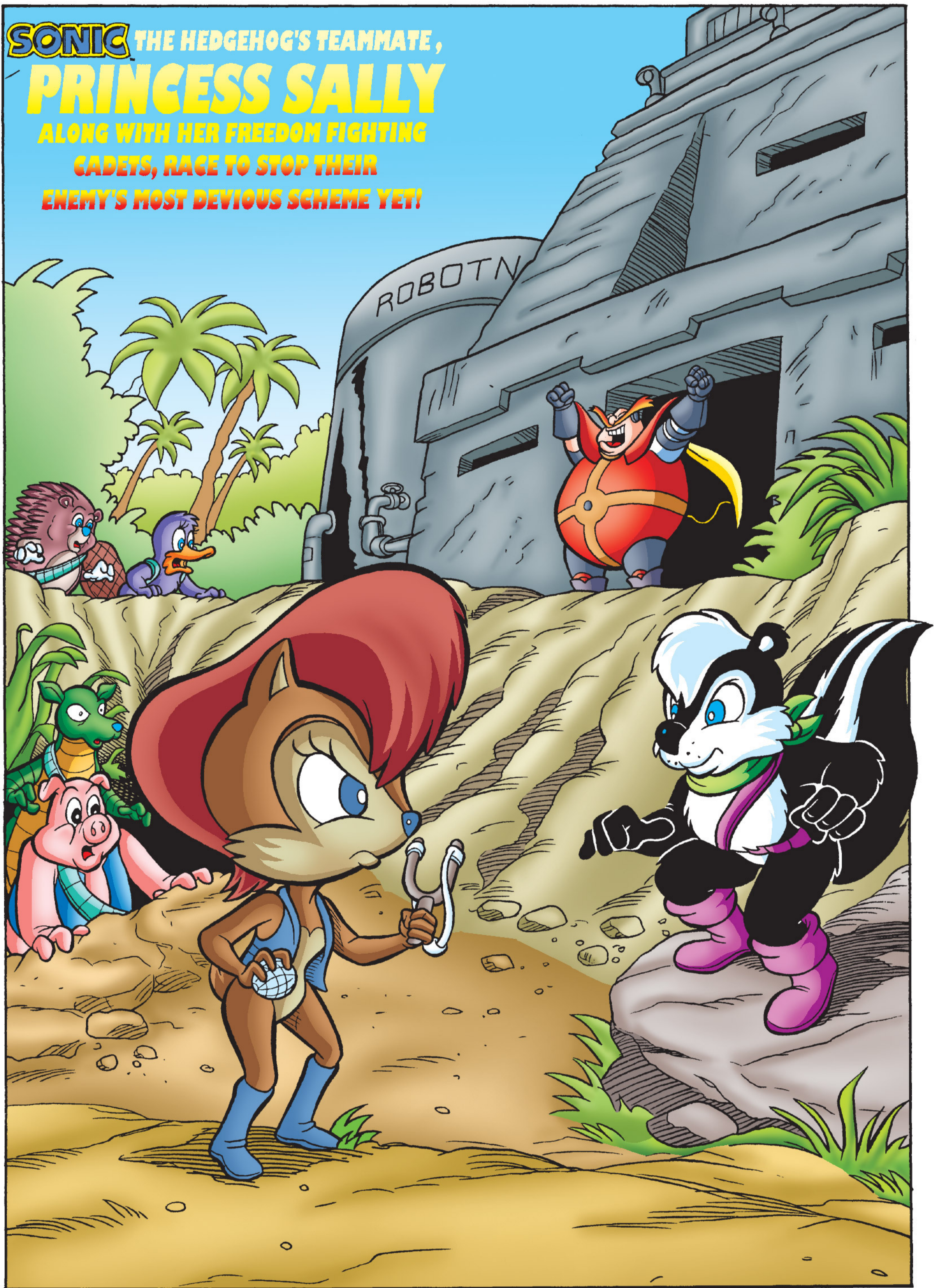


SONIC THE HEDGEHOG PRESENTS:

PRINCESS Sally



SONIC THE HEDGEHOG'S TEAMMATE,
PRINCESS SALLY
ALONG WITH HER FREEDOM FIGHTING
CADETS, RACE TO STOP THEIR
ENEMY'S MOST DEVIOUS SCHEME YET!





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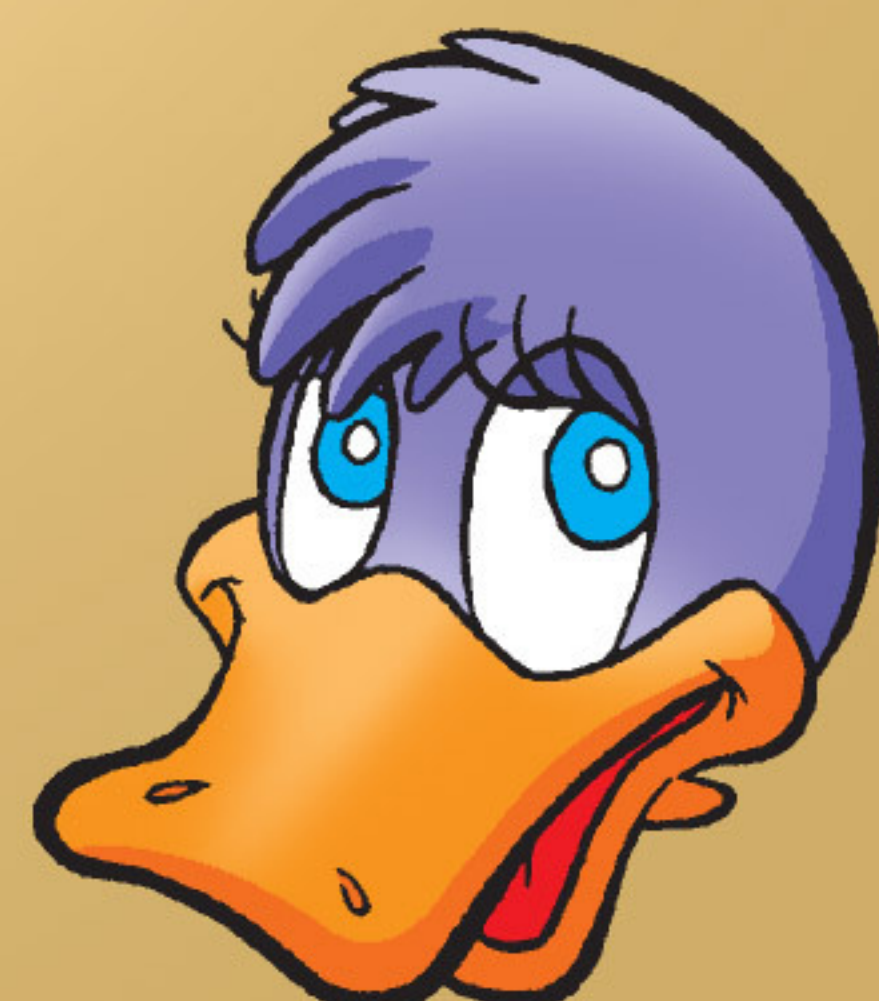
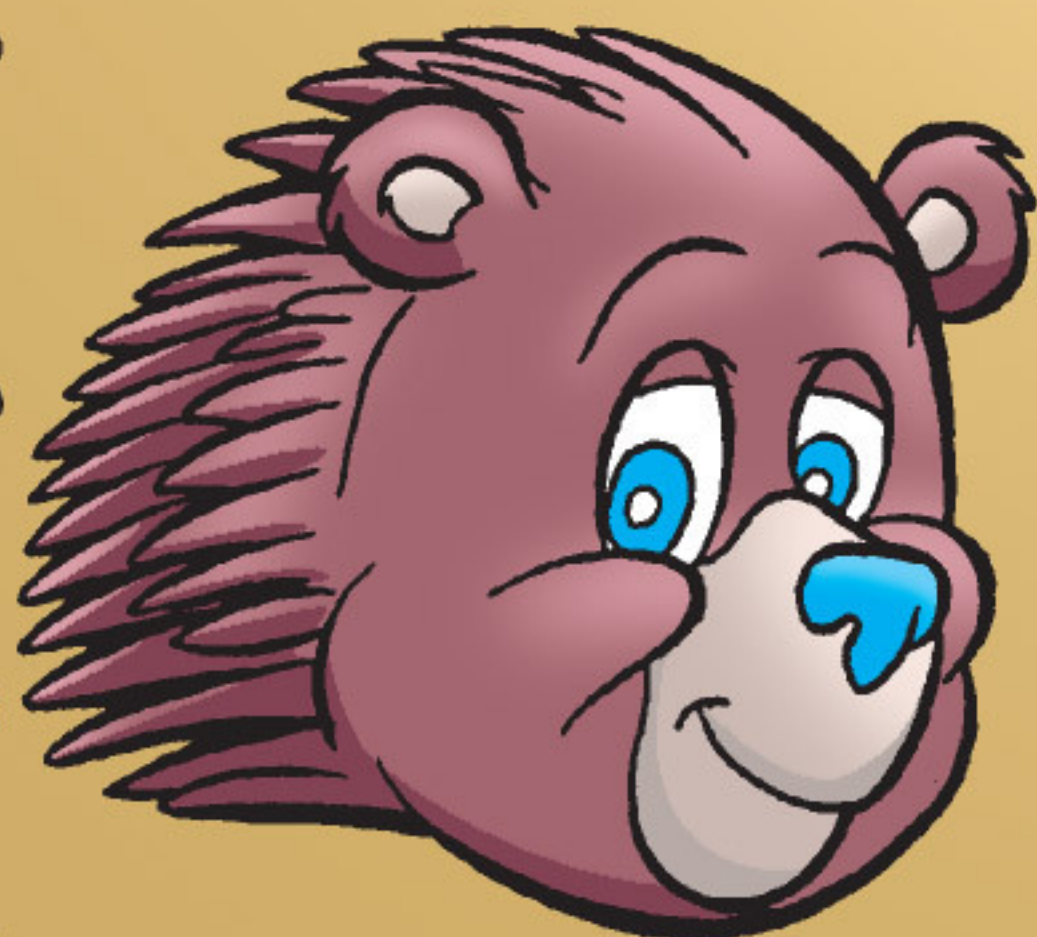
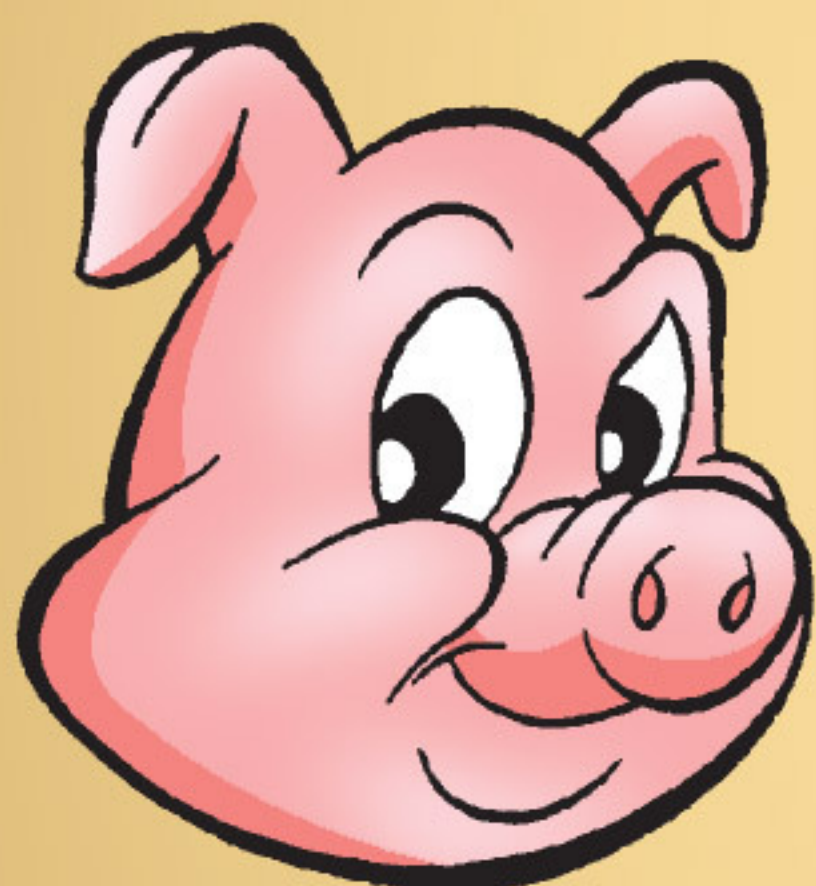
ne of the many outstanding qualities **Princess Sally** reveals in her capacity as **Commander-in-Chief** of the **Freedom Fighters** and spearhead of the resistance movement against evil tyrant **Dr. Ivo Robotnik**, is swift, sure **judgement**. The combination of this attribute with her ability to take **decisive action** regardless of personal cost, contributes to the Freedom Fighters' success as a team.

While her troops play out their appointed roles, only Sally sees the **big picture**: to lead effectively, she must retain their trust and respect, for in a war there is no room for hesitation. When she gives an order, it is to be carried out -- no questions asked, no answers given! Their loyalty must remain absolute at all times, or the cause is already lost.

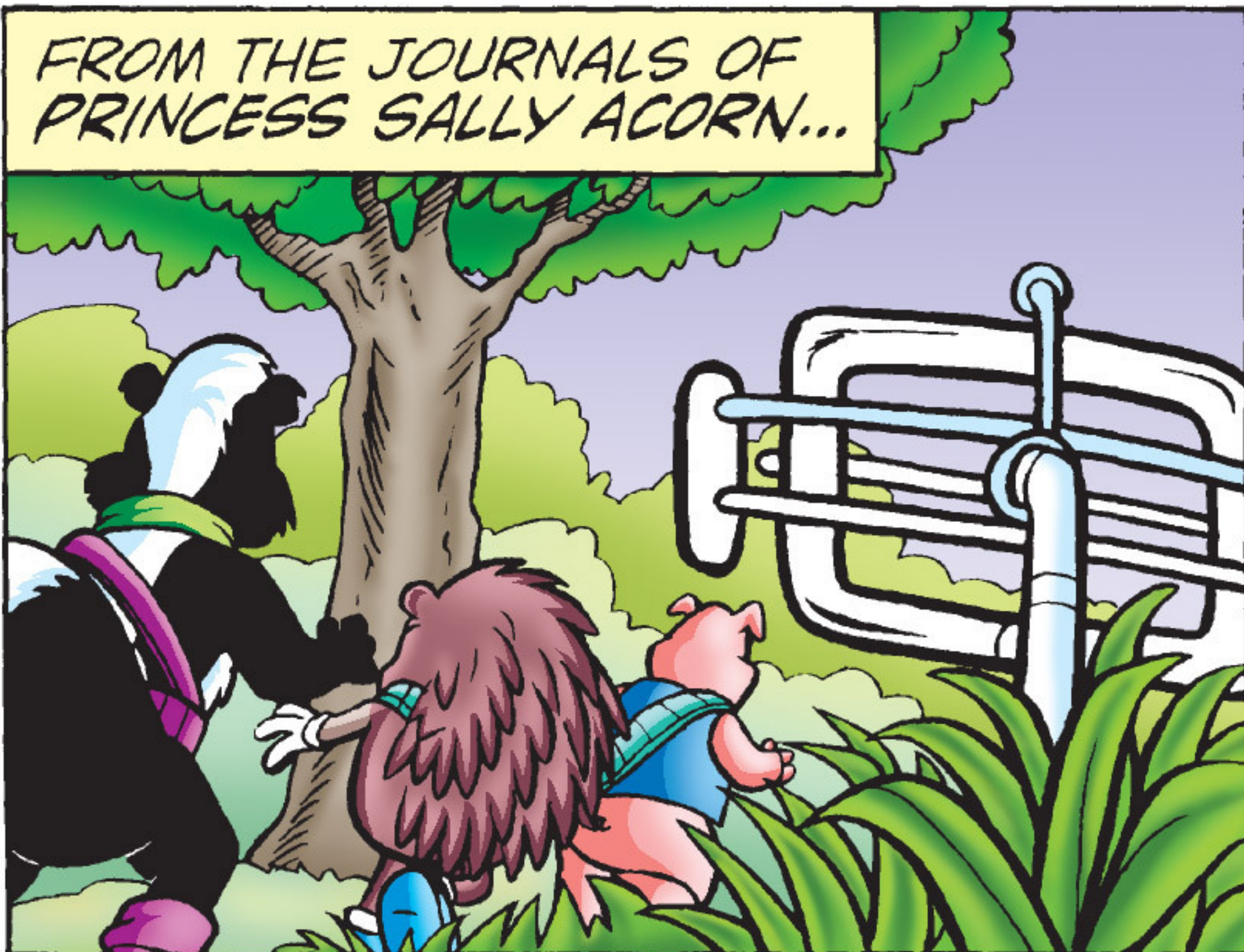
Entrusted with the lives of her charges, the young Princess wears the mantle of leadership stoically. Often called upon to make tough choices by virtue of her rank, she longs for the day when peace and prosperity once again reign over the planet **Mobius**.

But until that day, she will fight to free her people.

And they will fight, courageously, by her side. . .

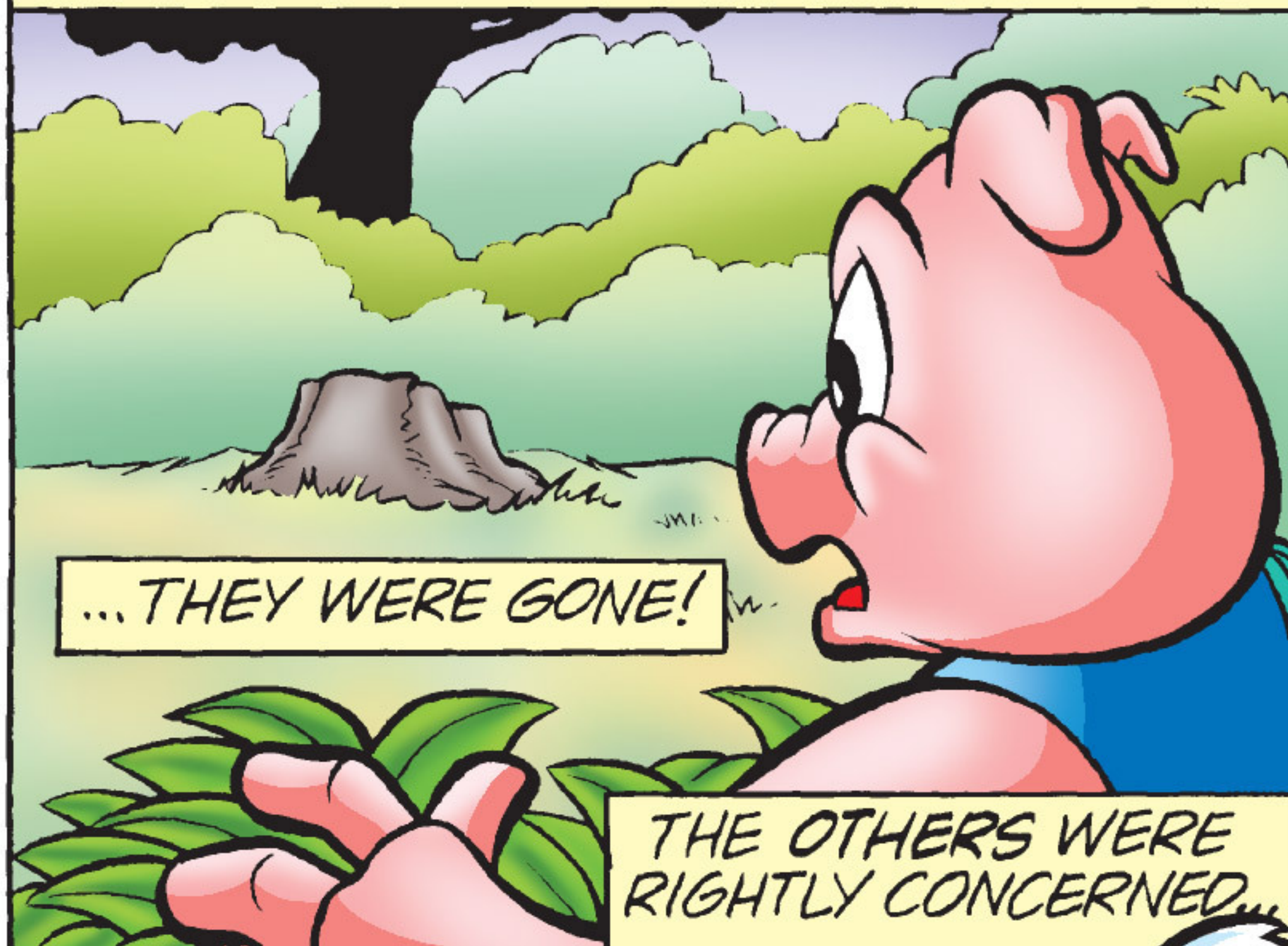


FROM THE JOURNALS OF
PRINCESS SALLY ACORN...



THE ASSAULT ON ROBOTNIK'S FACILITIES
WENT, MORE OR LESS, AS EXPECTED! DYLAN,
HAMLIN AND ST. JOHN PLAYED OUT THEIR
ROLES IN THIS AFFAIR...

ARLO HAD BEEN INJURED UPON ARRI-
VAL, AND, ALTHOUGH PENELOPE RE-
MAINED BEHIND TO PROTECT HIM,
WHEN THE RAIDING PARTY RETURNED...

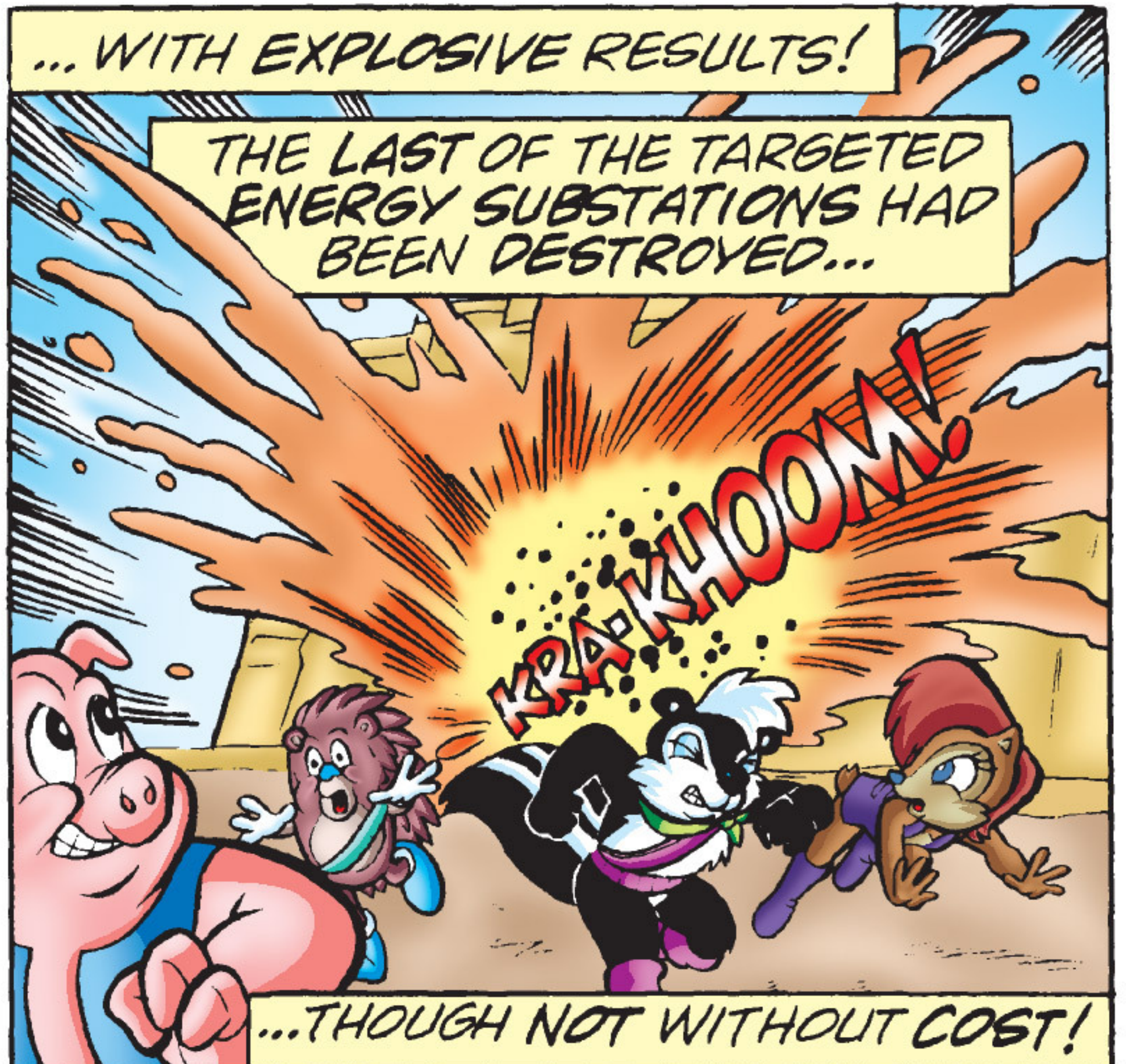


...THEY WERE GONE!

THE OTHERS WERE
RIGHTLY CONCERNED...

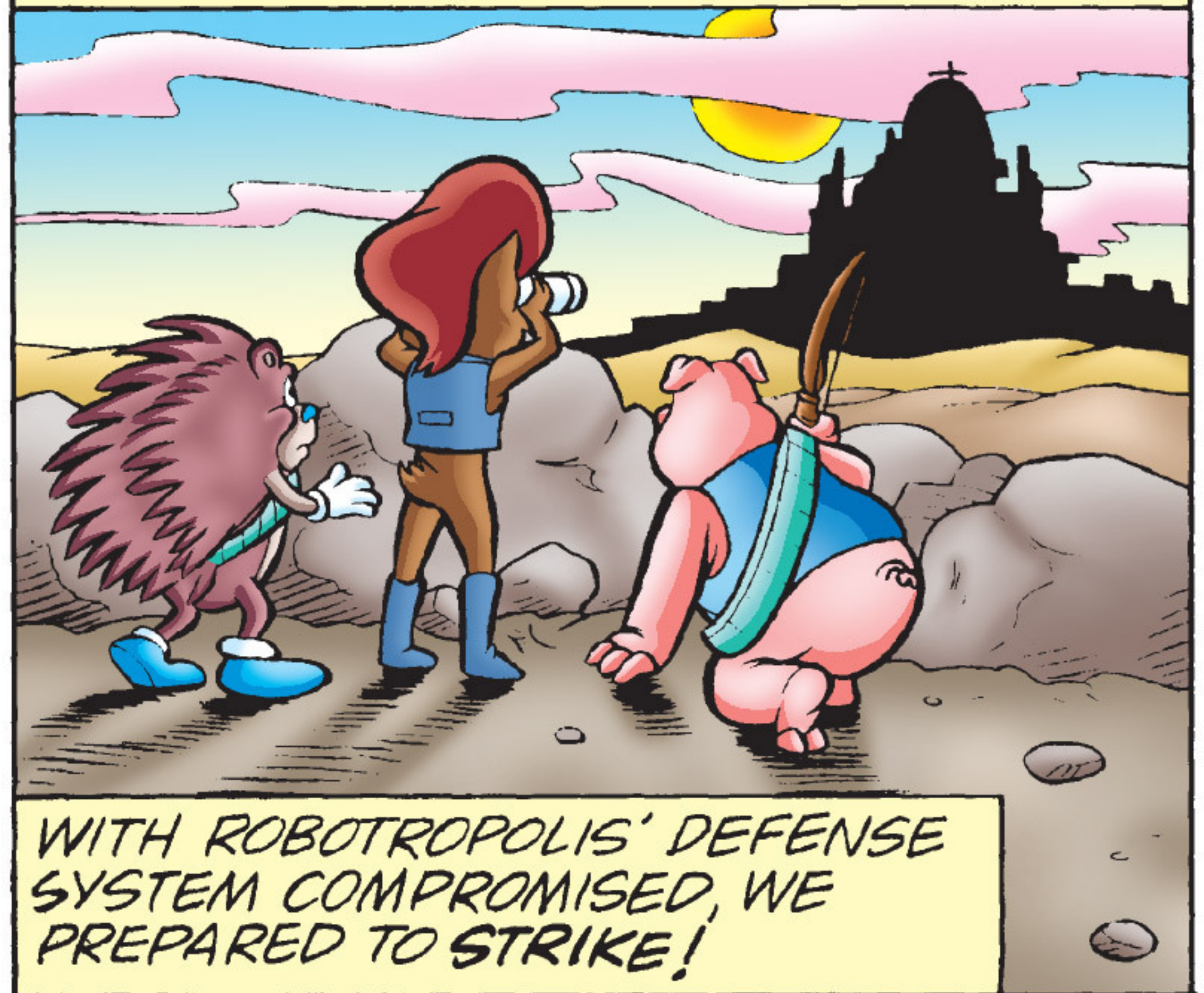
... WITH EXPLOSIVE RESULTS!

THE LAST OF THE TARGETED
ENERGY SUBSTATIONS HAD
BEEN DESTROYED...



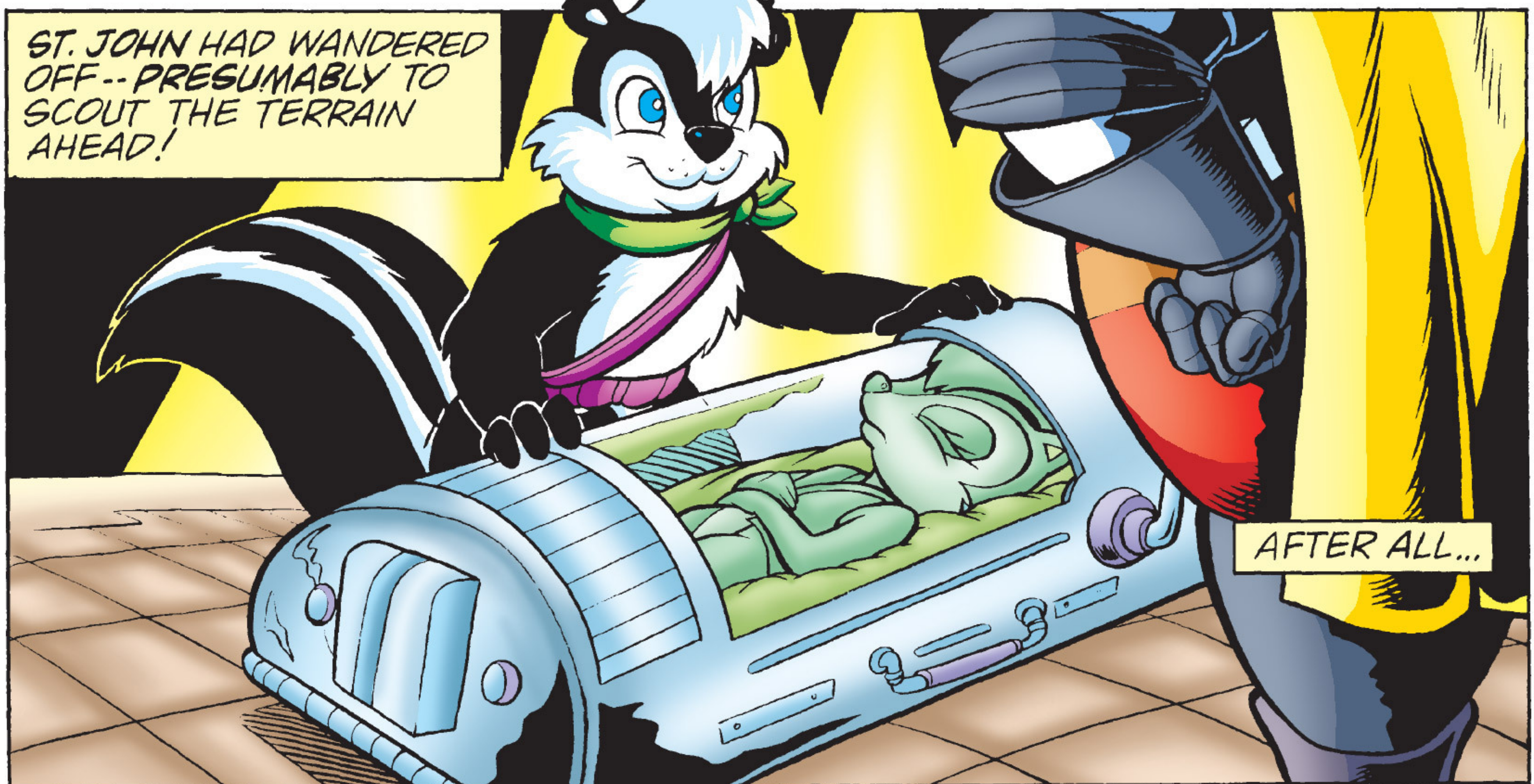
...THOUGH NOT WITHOUT COST!

...BUT THE MOST IMPORTANT PART
OF THE MISSION STILL LAY AHEAD!



WITH ROBOTROPOLIS' DEFENSE
SYSTEM COMPROMISED, WE
PREPARED TO STRIKE!

ST. JOHN HAD WANDERED
OFF-- PRESUMABLY TO
SCOUT THE TERRAIN
AHEAD!



AFTER ALL...

PRINCESS Sally

"DEADLIEST OF THE SPECIES"

CONCLUSION!

...IT WAS ANYONE'S GUESS WHAT AWAITED US WITHIN!

OH, PUT A SOCKET IN IT, YOU RUSTY OLD BUCKET OF BOLTS!

WE GAVE AT THE OFFICE!

CHUUM
CHUUM
CHUUM

PROFOUND ADVICE, PRINCESS--

--WHICH WE WOULD ALL DO WELL TO FOLLOW!

SAVE YOUR BREATH, HAMLIN--

--AND CONCENTRATE ON STAYING ALIVE!

SPLOOSH!

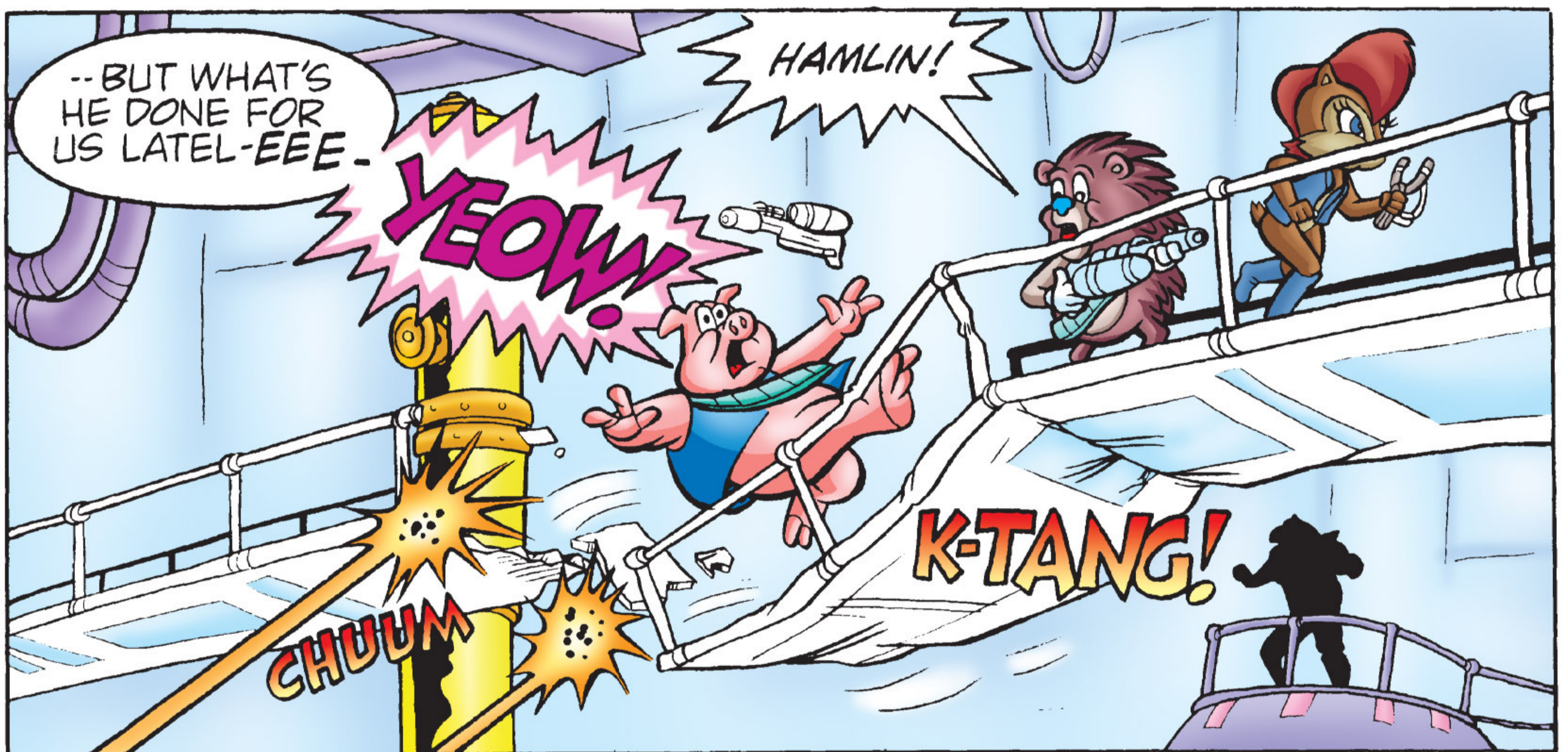
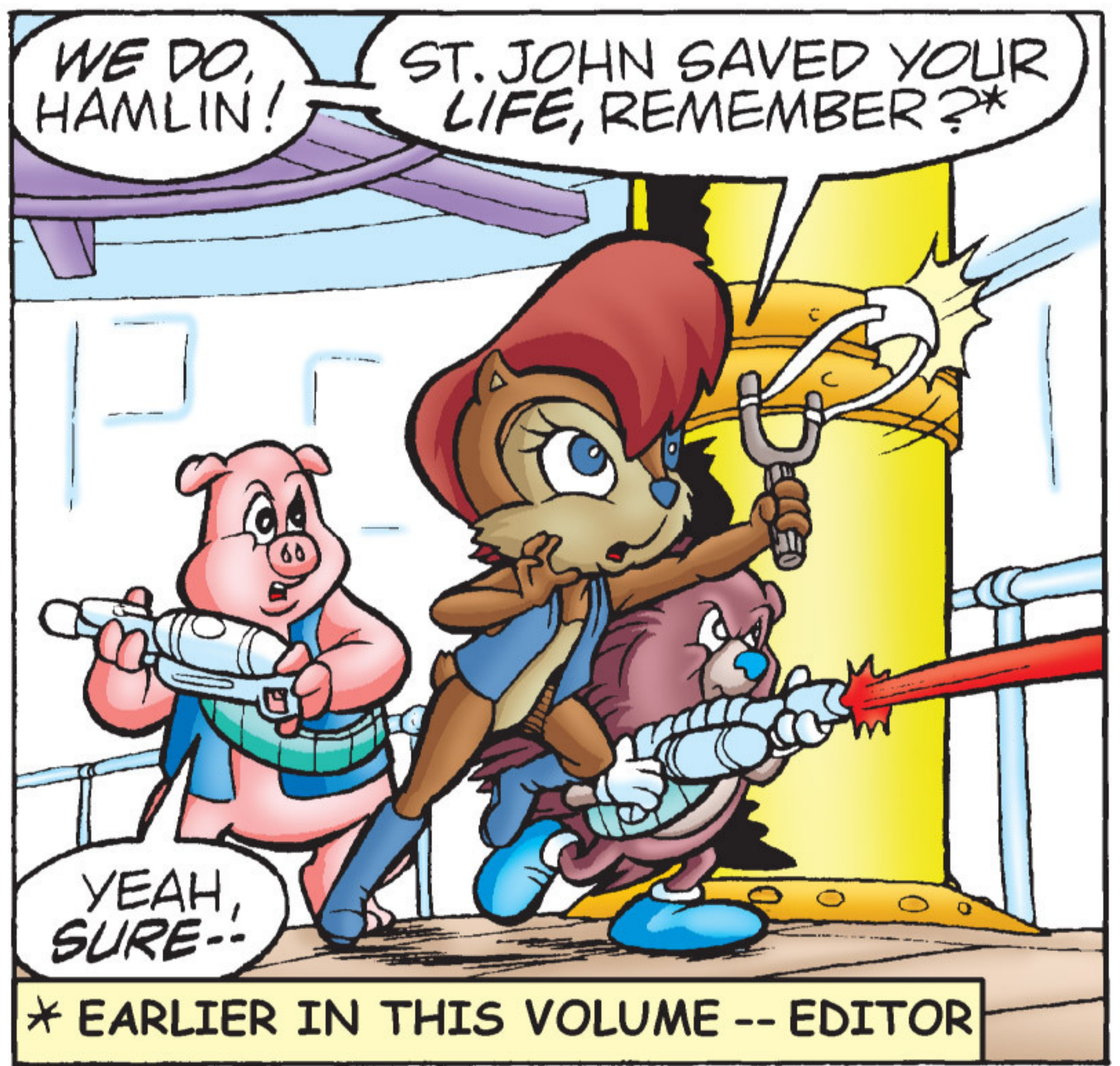
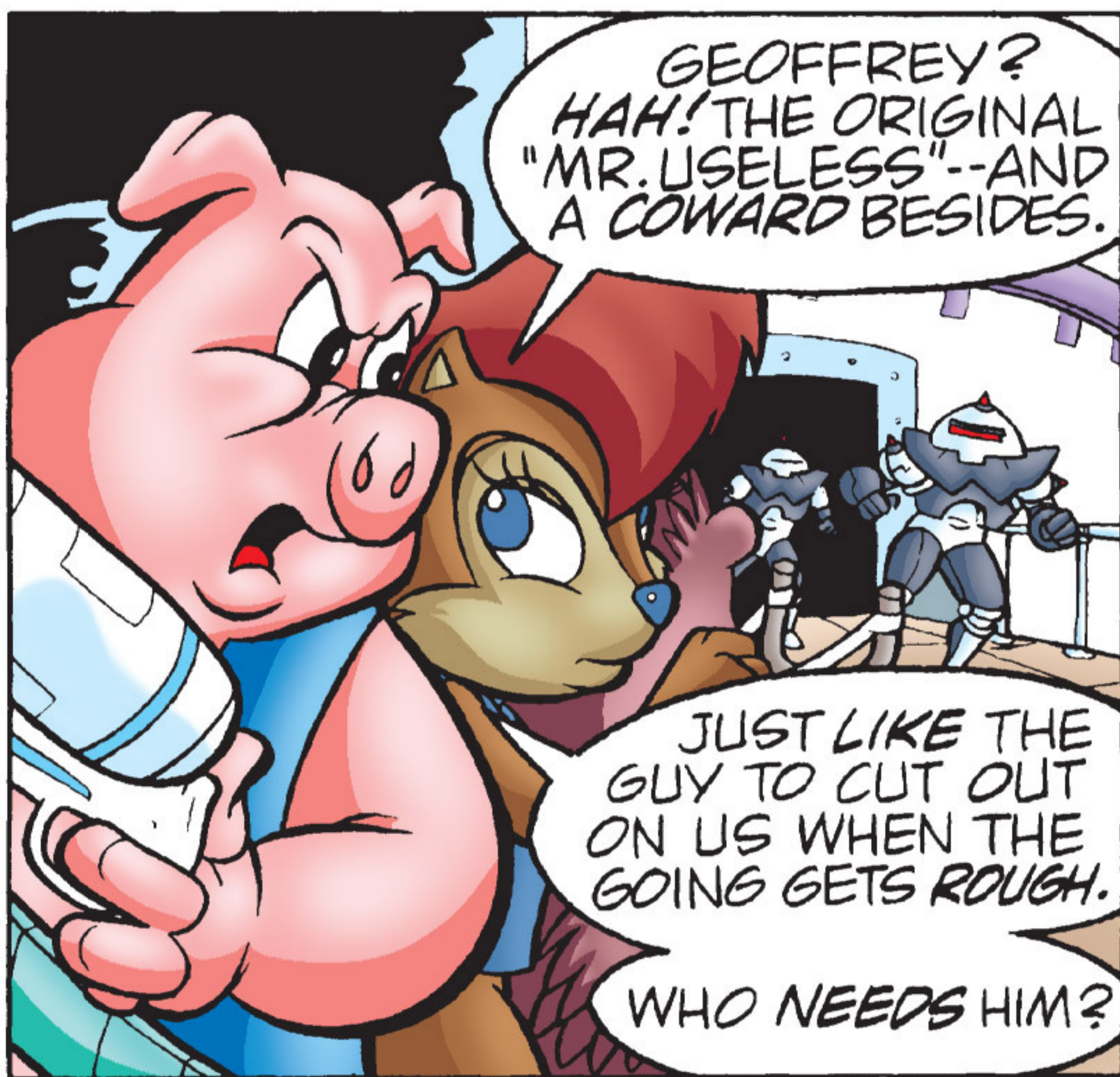
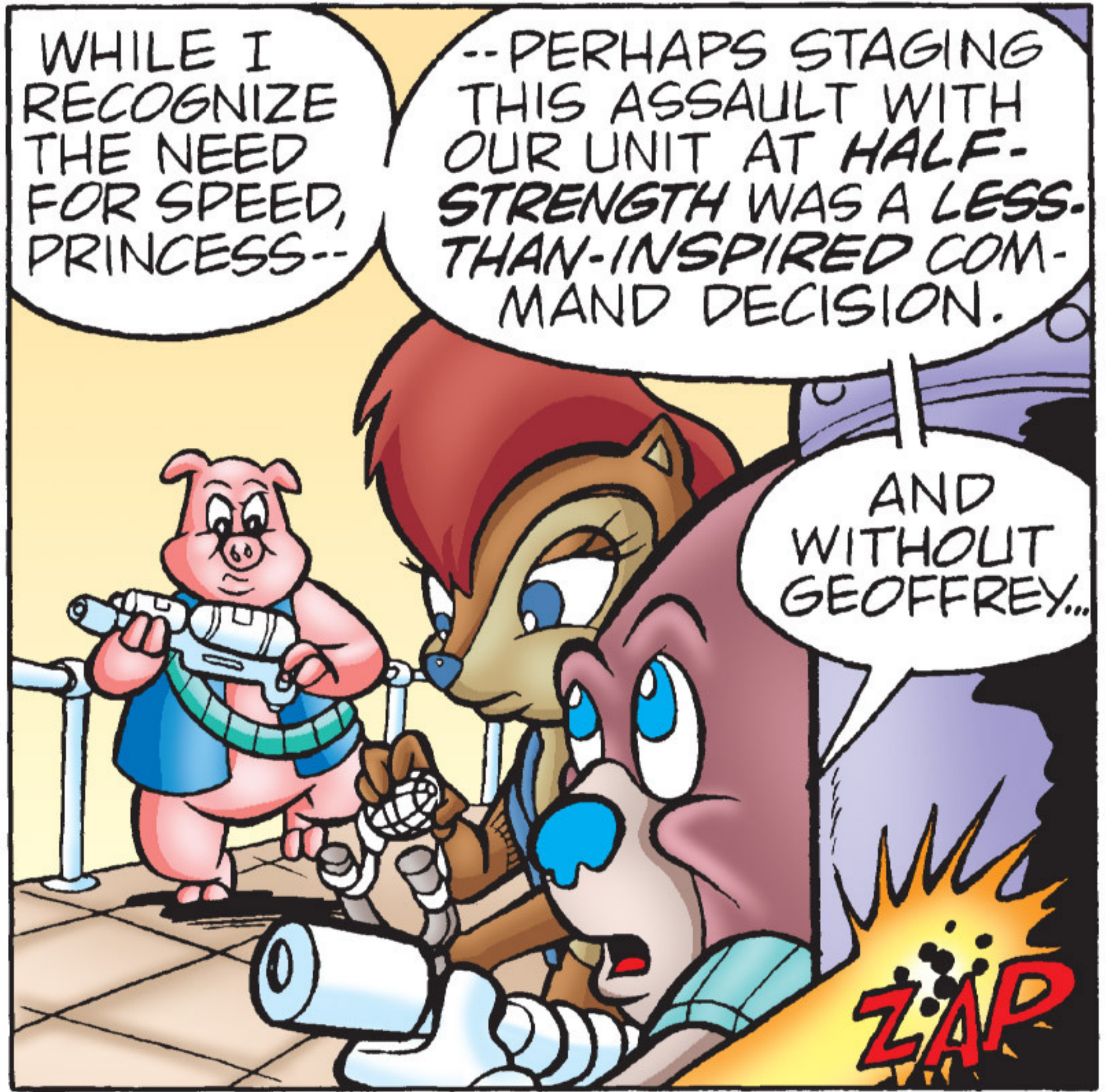
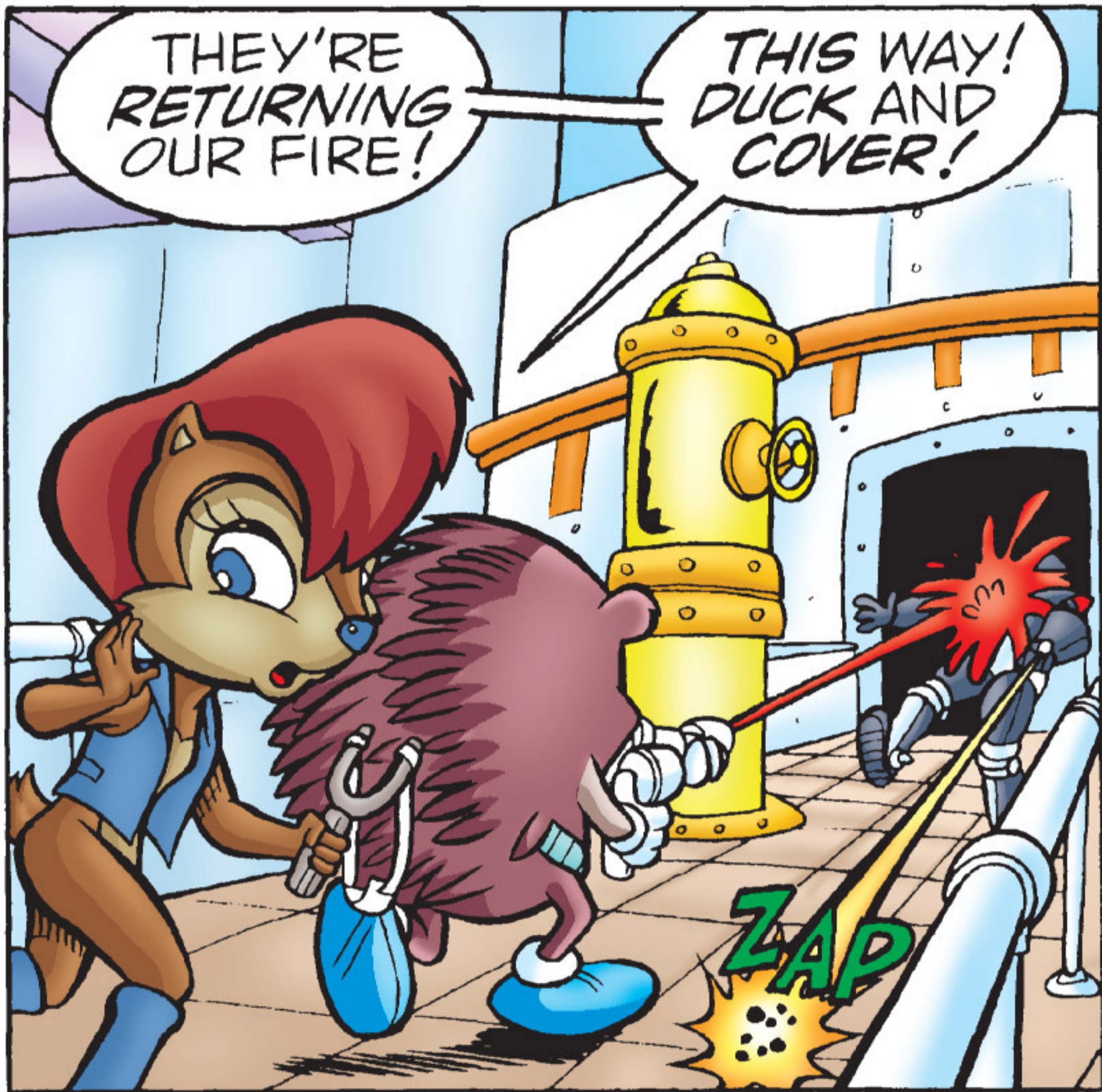
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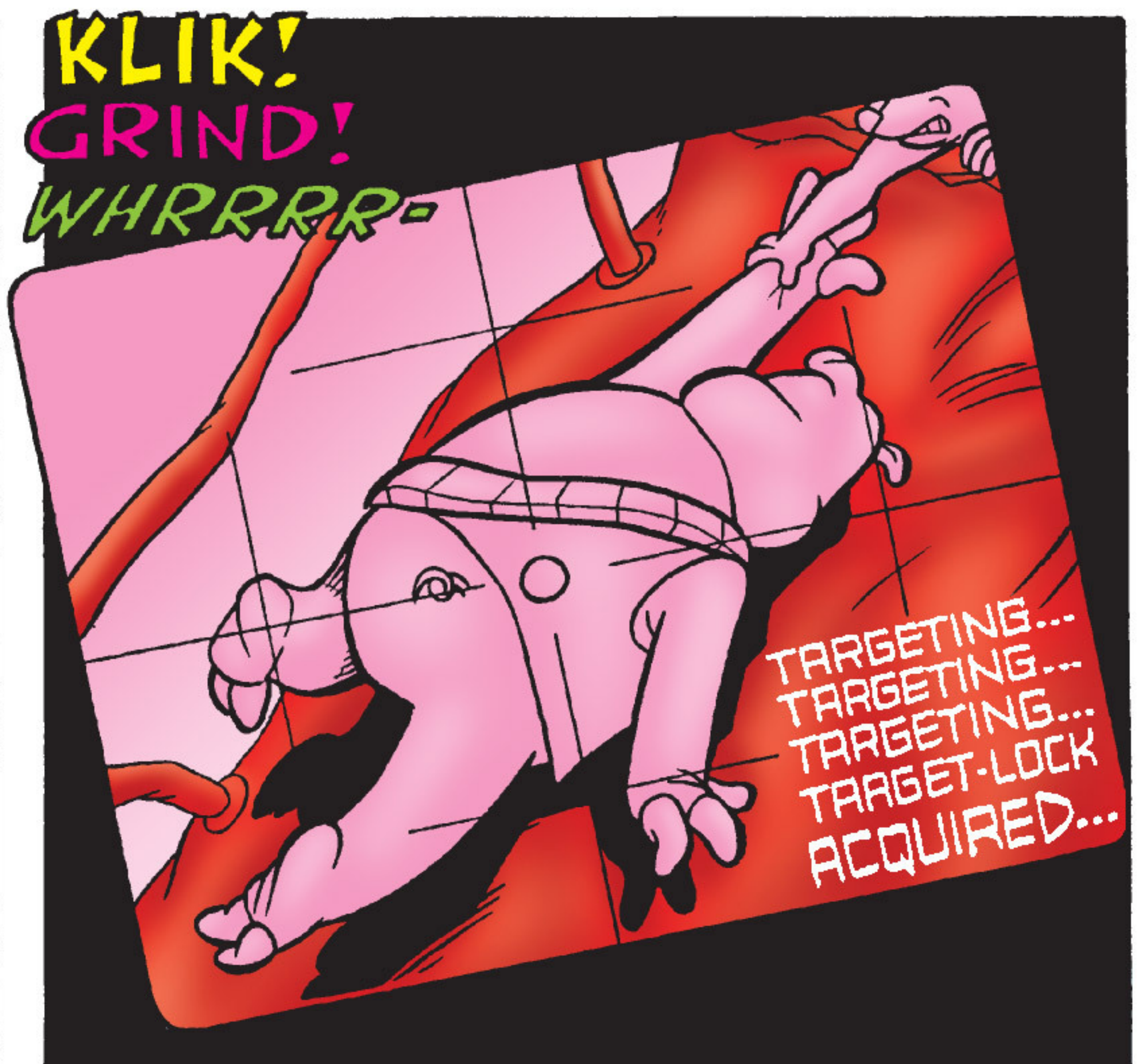
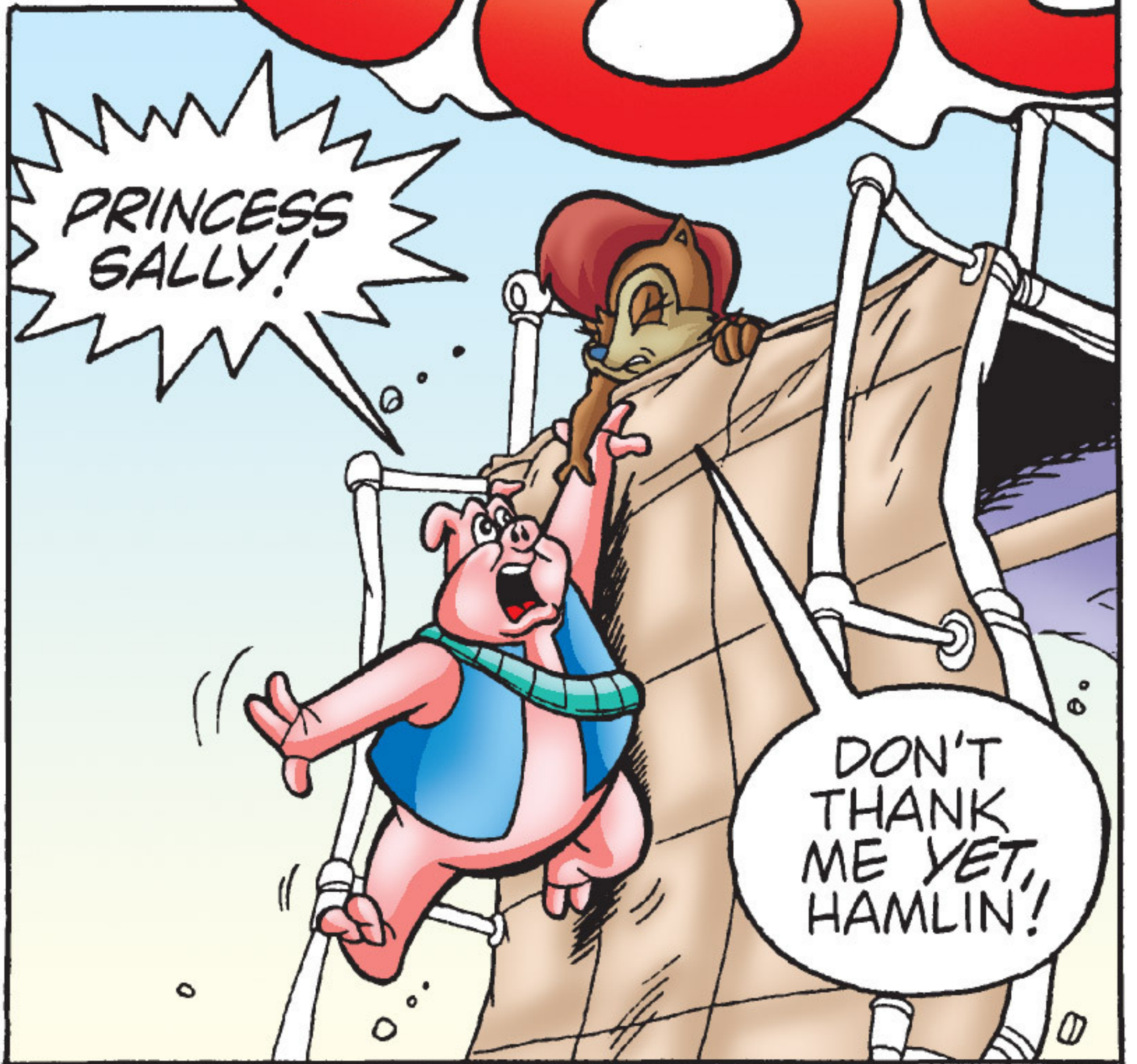
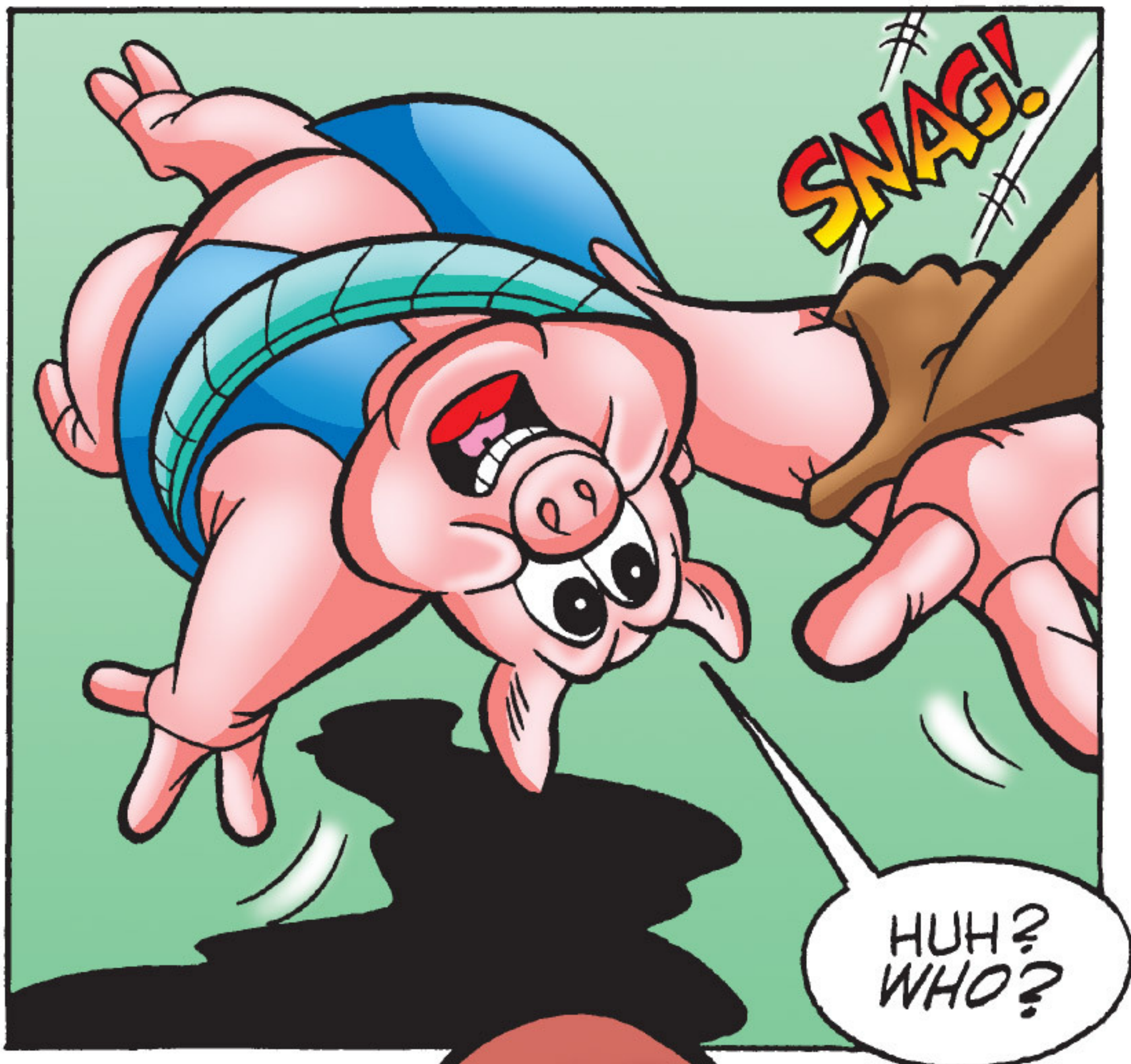
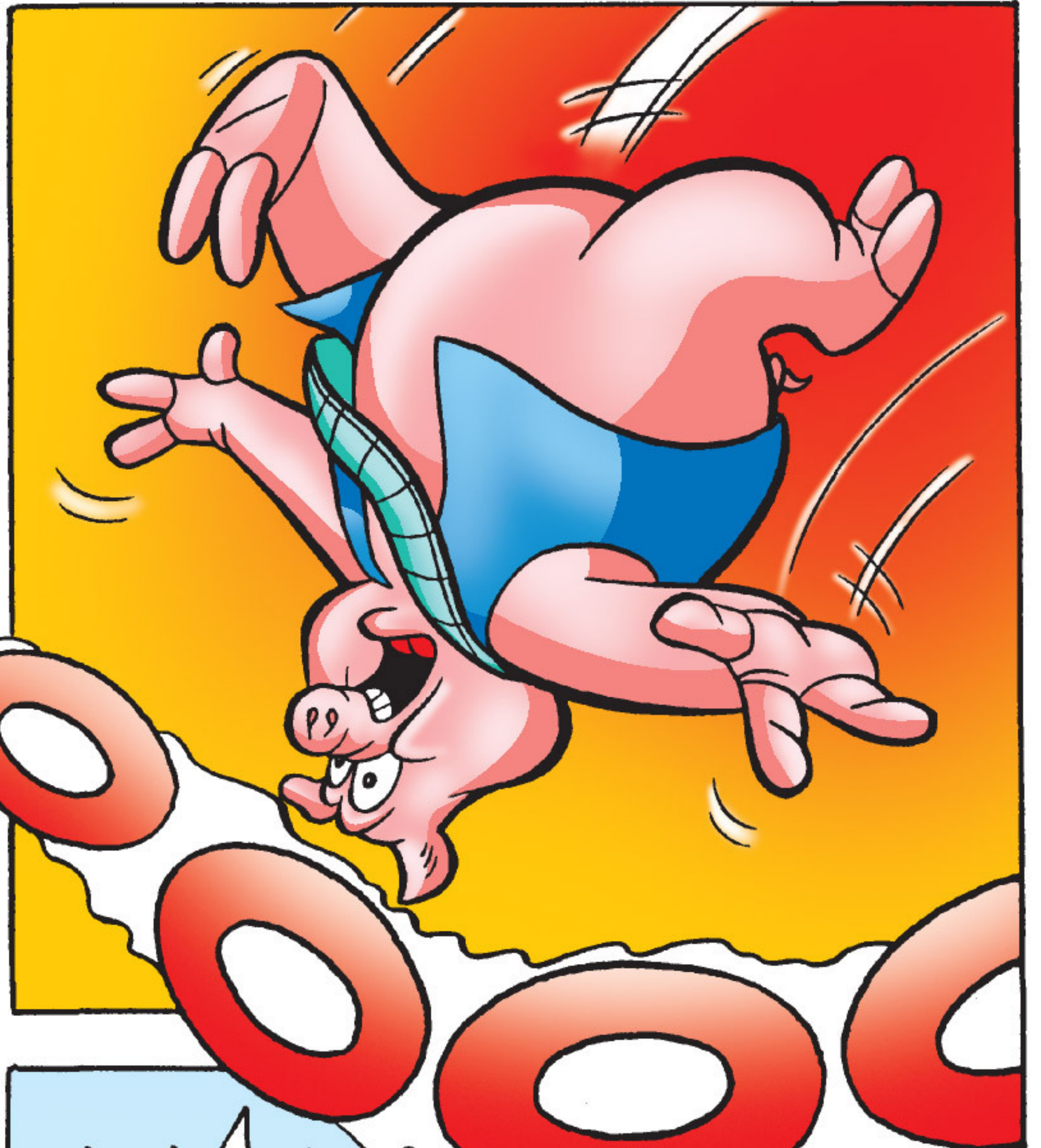
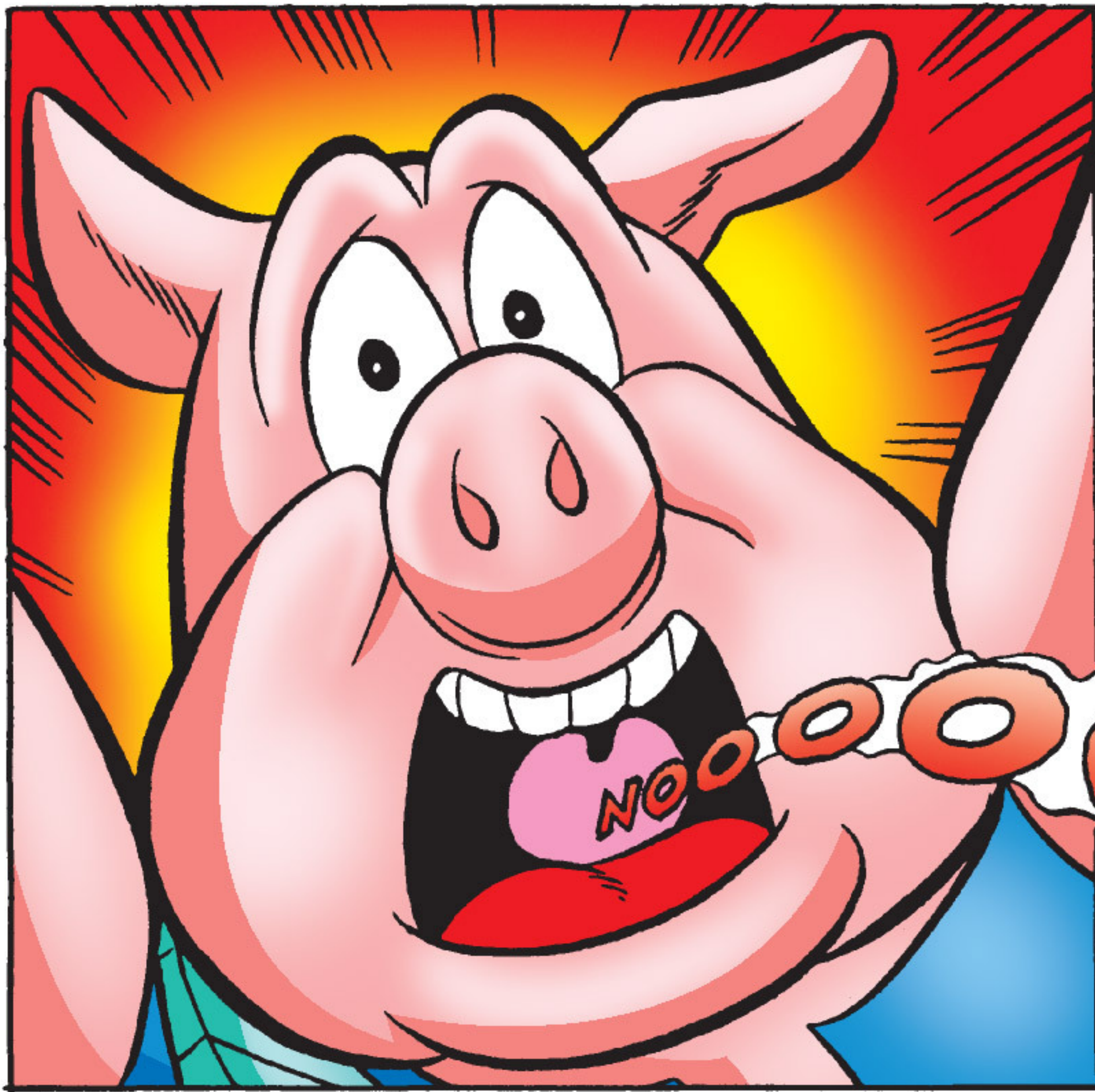
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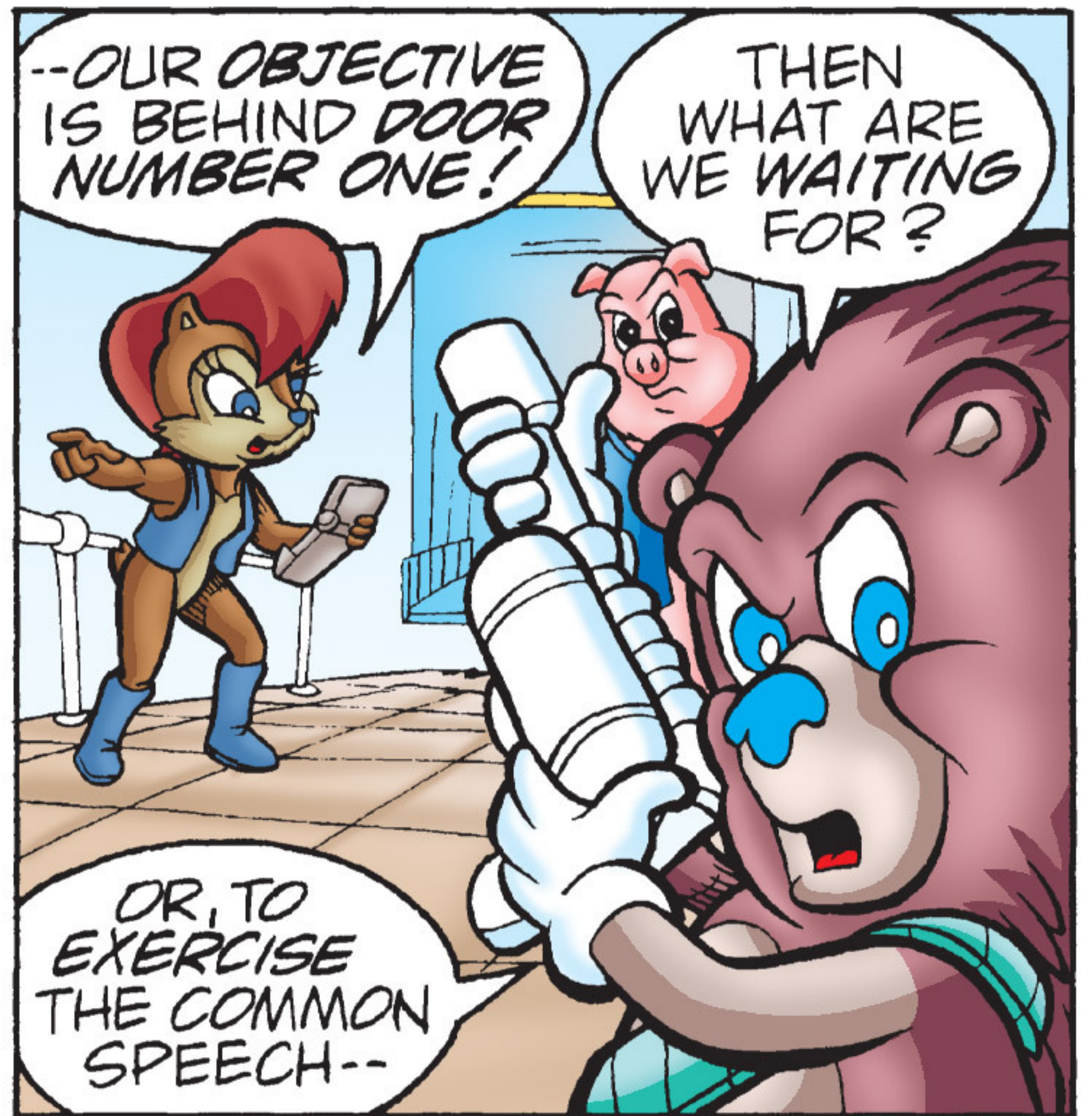
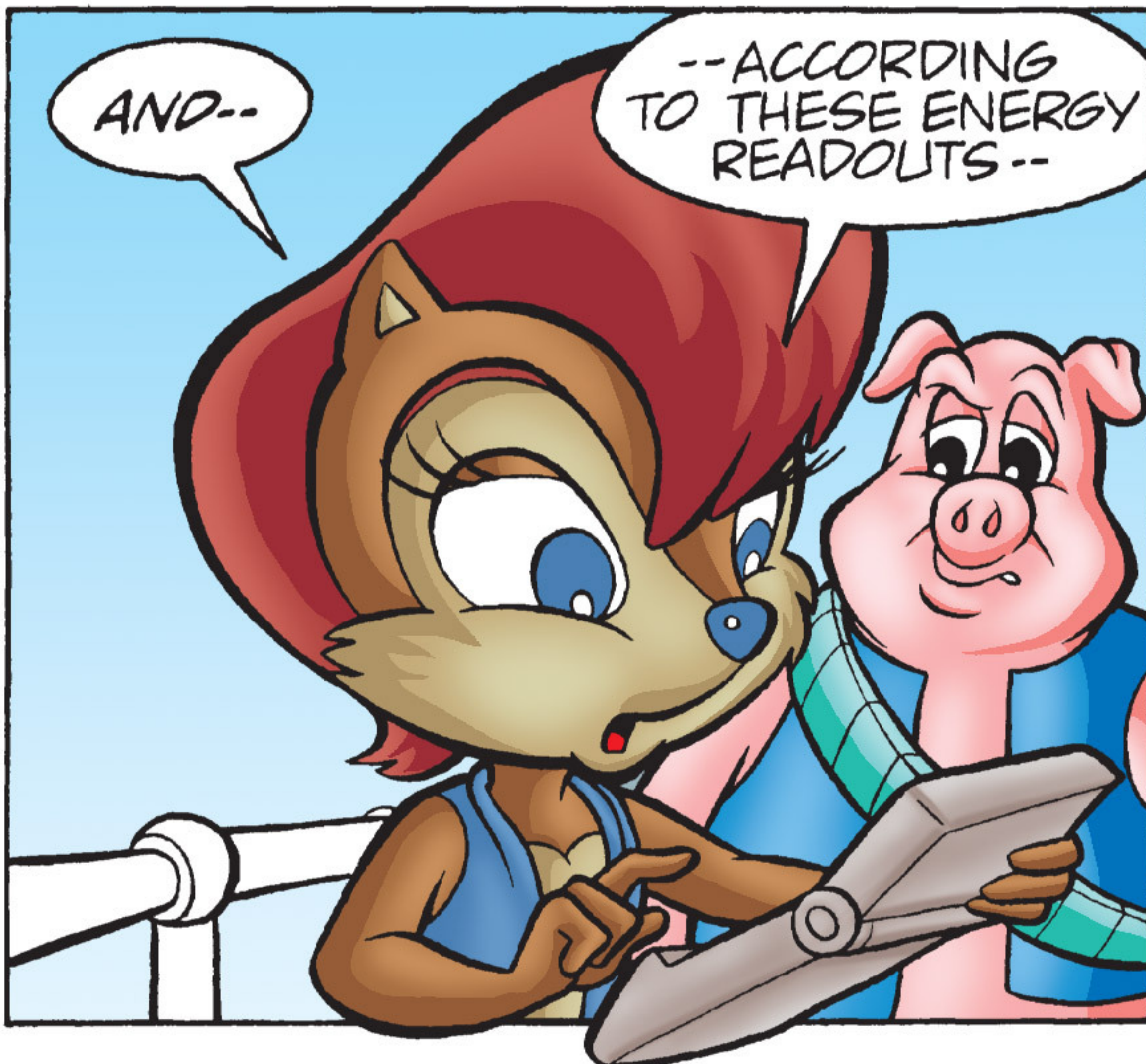
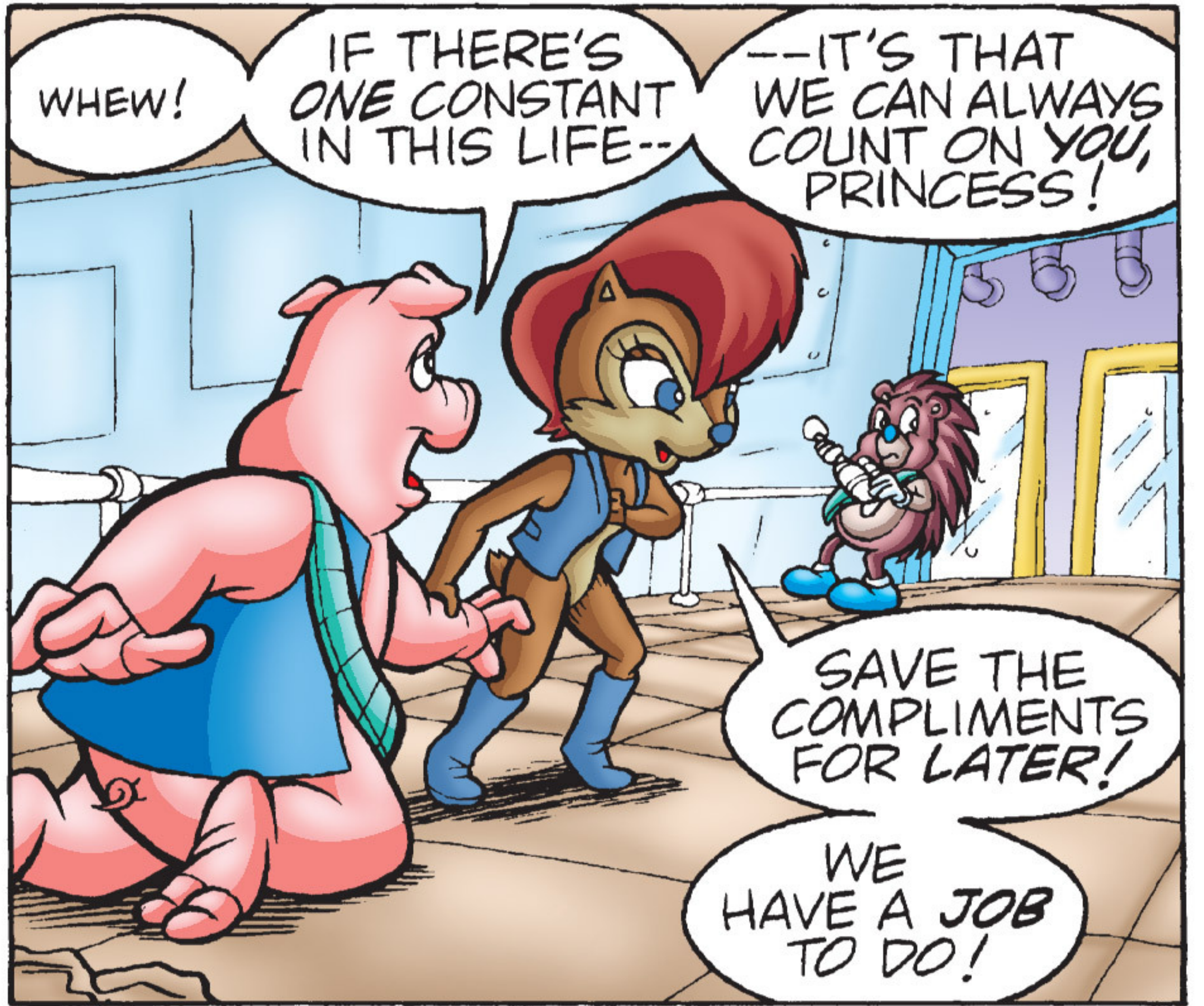
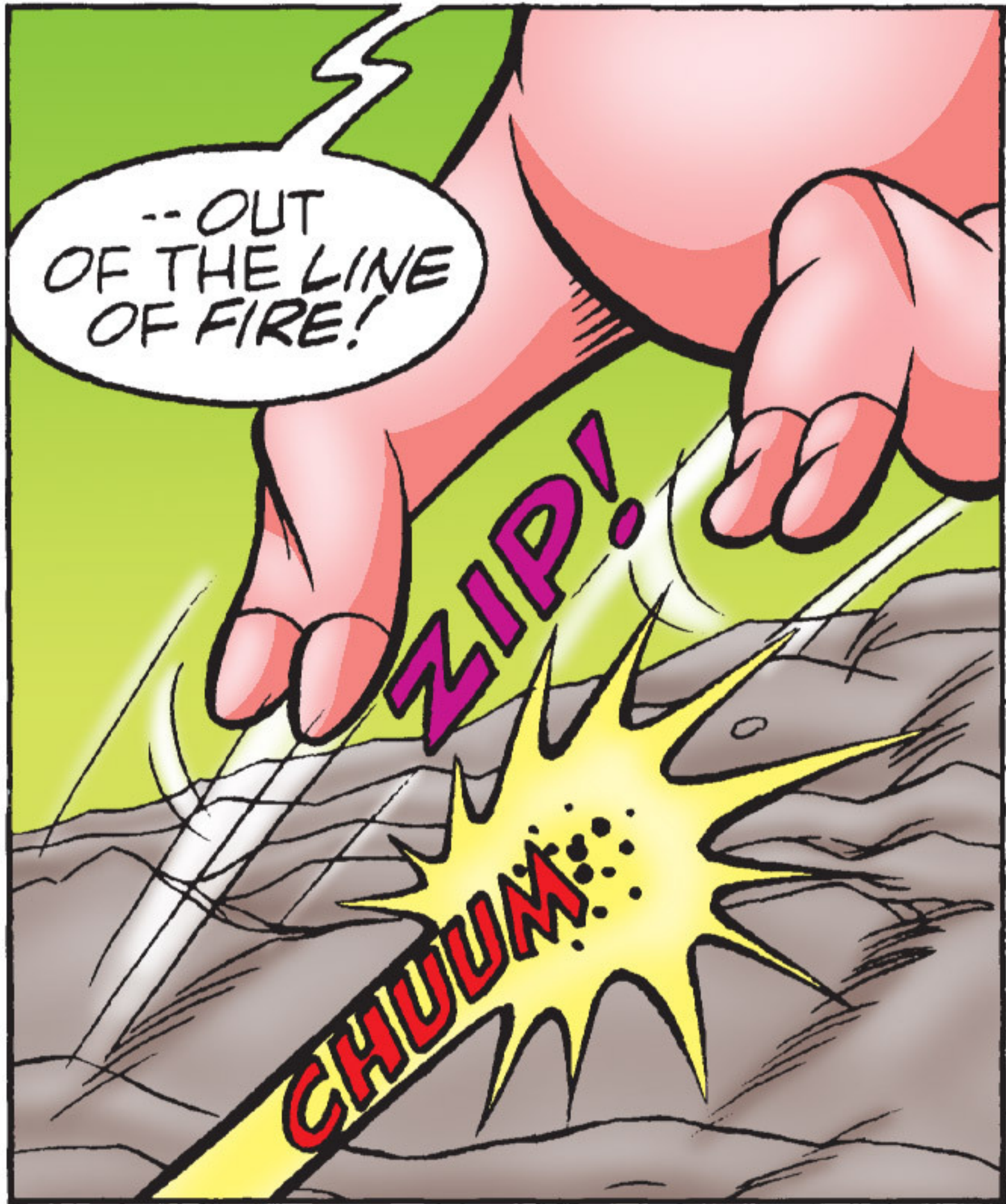
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WITH-
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FOURTEEN MINUTES,
ELEVEN SECONDS.

UNACCEPTABLE!

YOU'VE KEPT US
WAITING, FREEDOM
FIGHTERS--

--AND TARDINESS
IS A SIN I FIND MOST
DIFFICULT TO FORGIVE!

STILL, YOU ARE
HERE NOW, AND THAT,
IN THE END, IS ALL
THAT MATTERS!

DID I FORGET
MYSELF--INTRODUCTIONS
ARE IN ORDER!

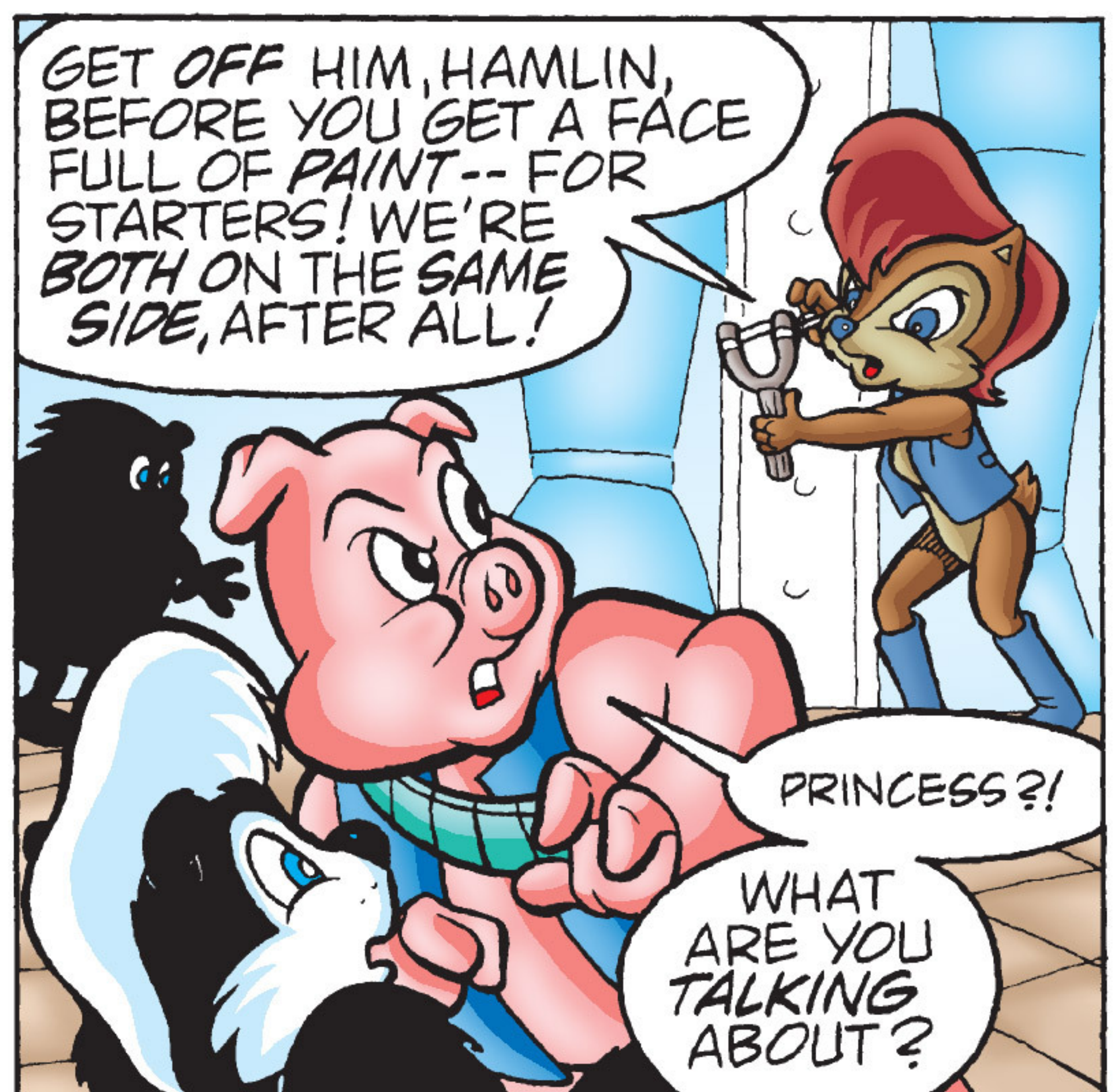
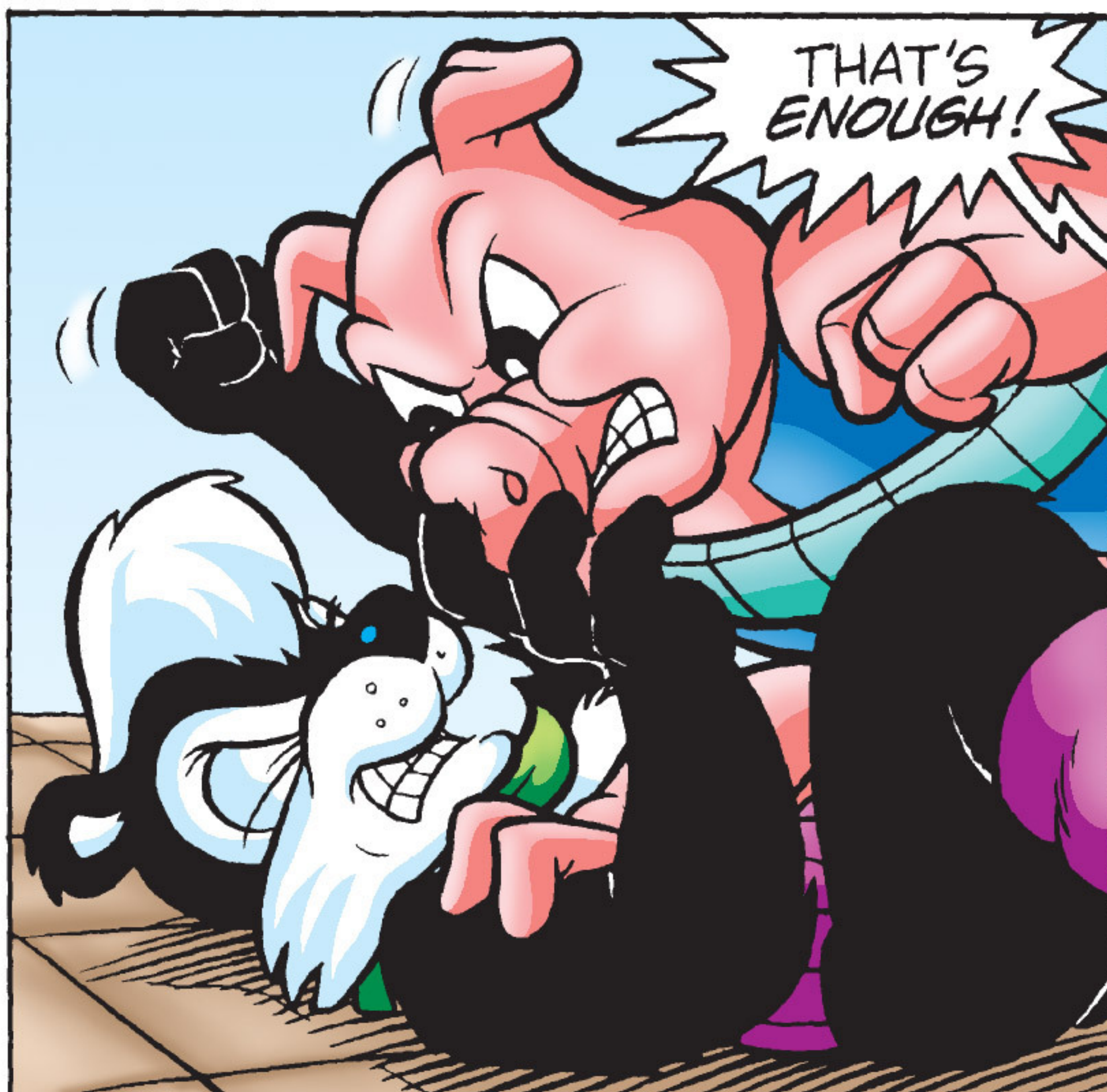
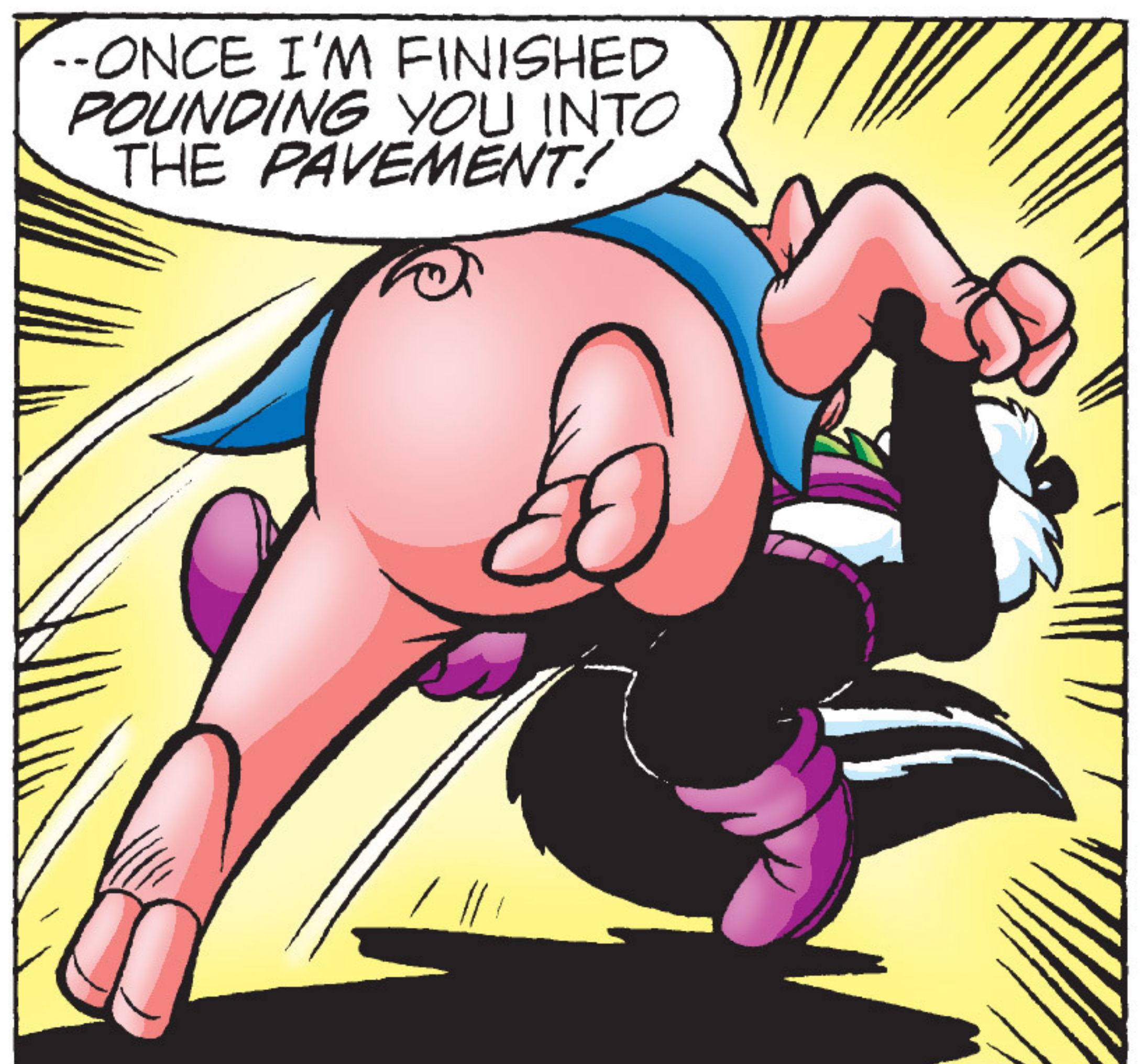
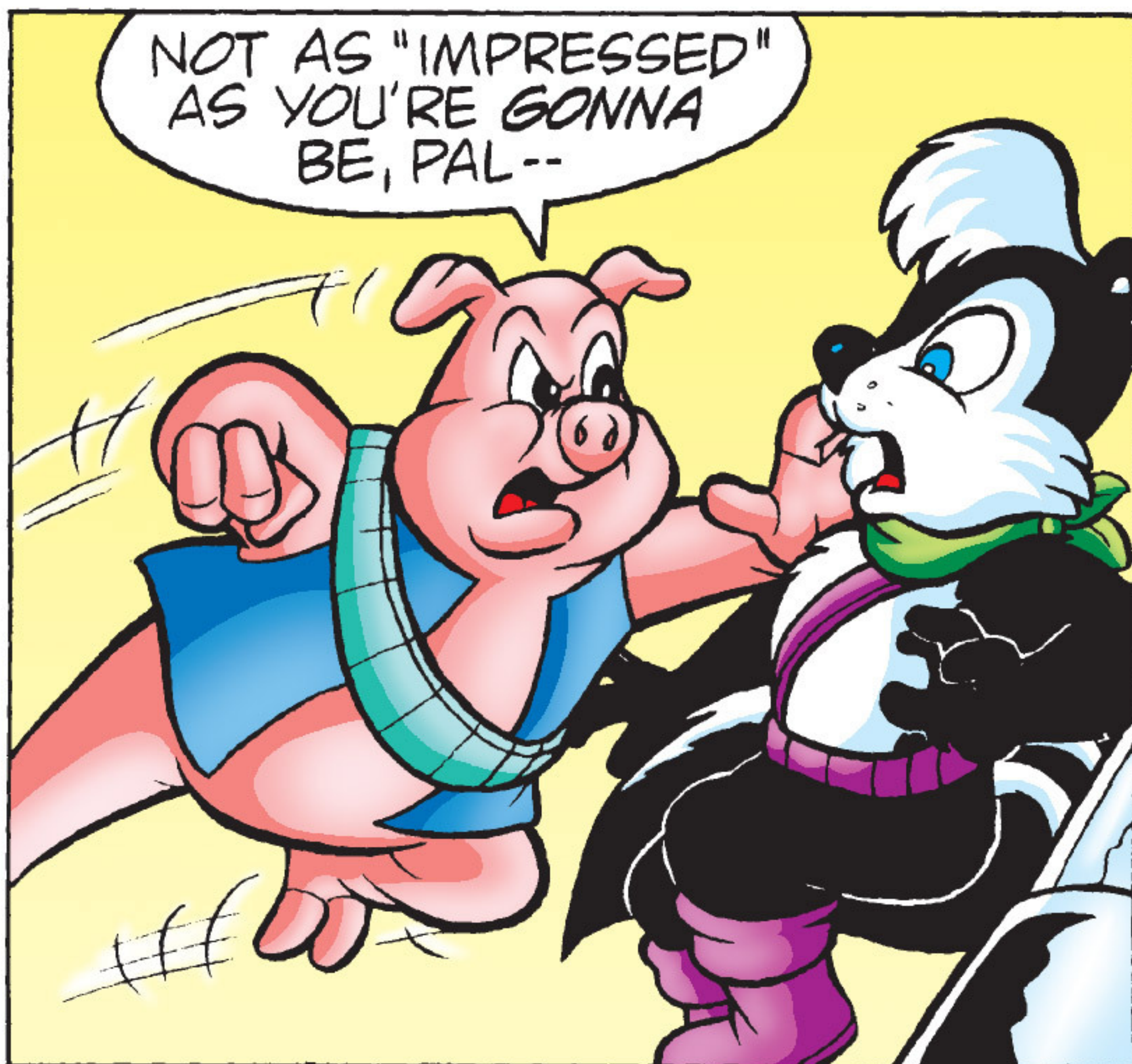
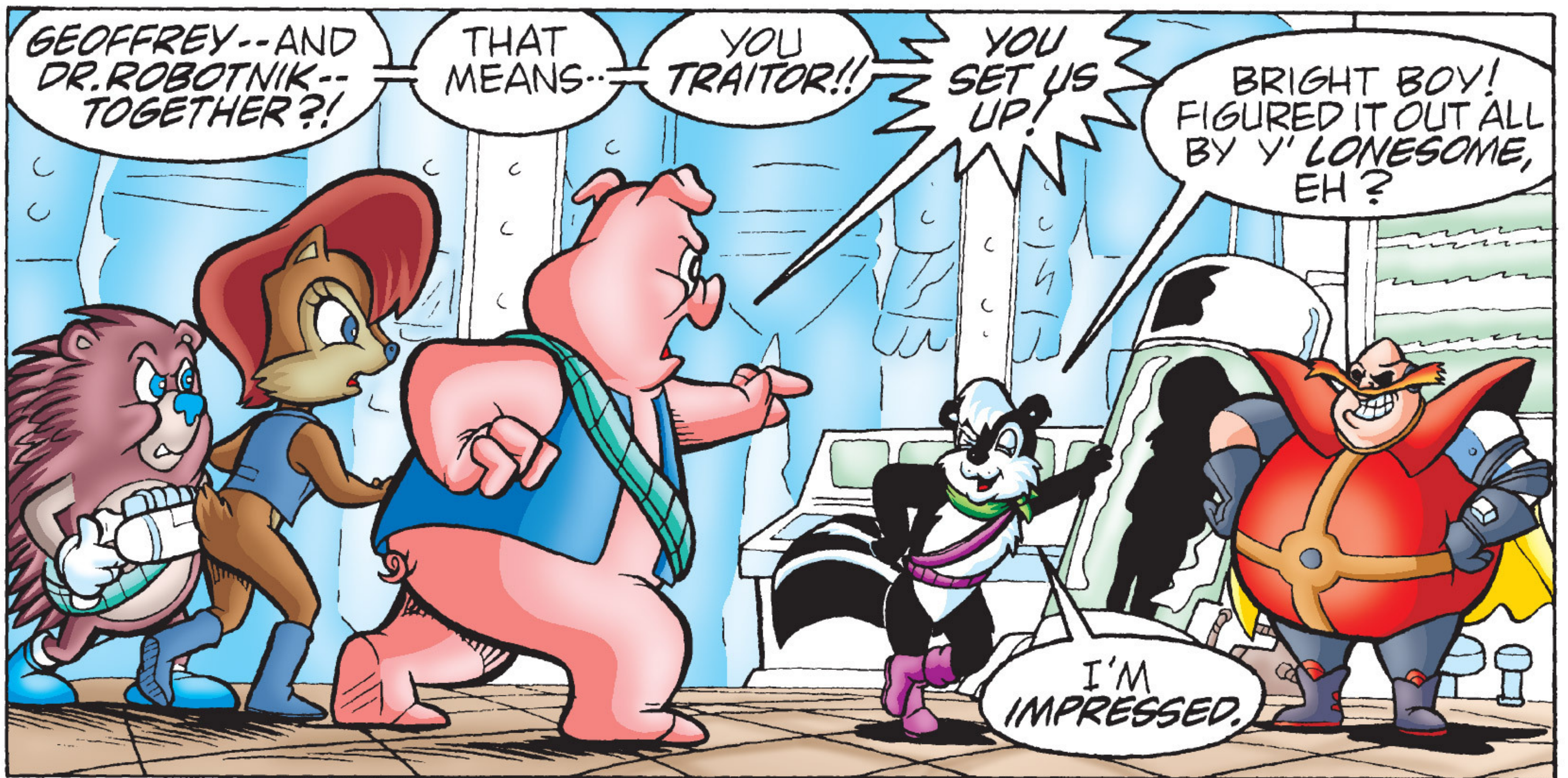
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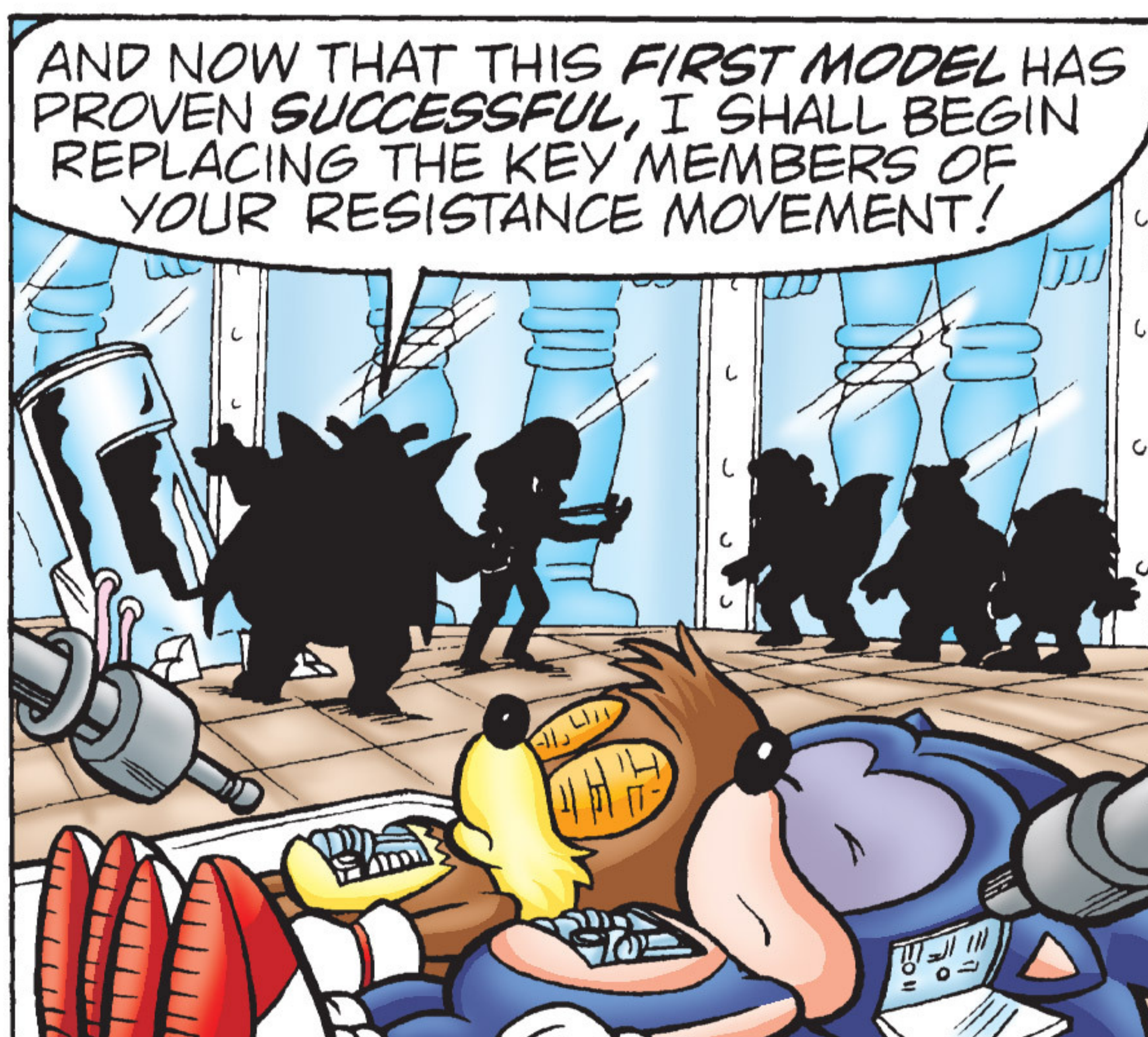
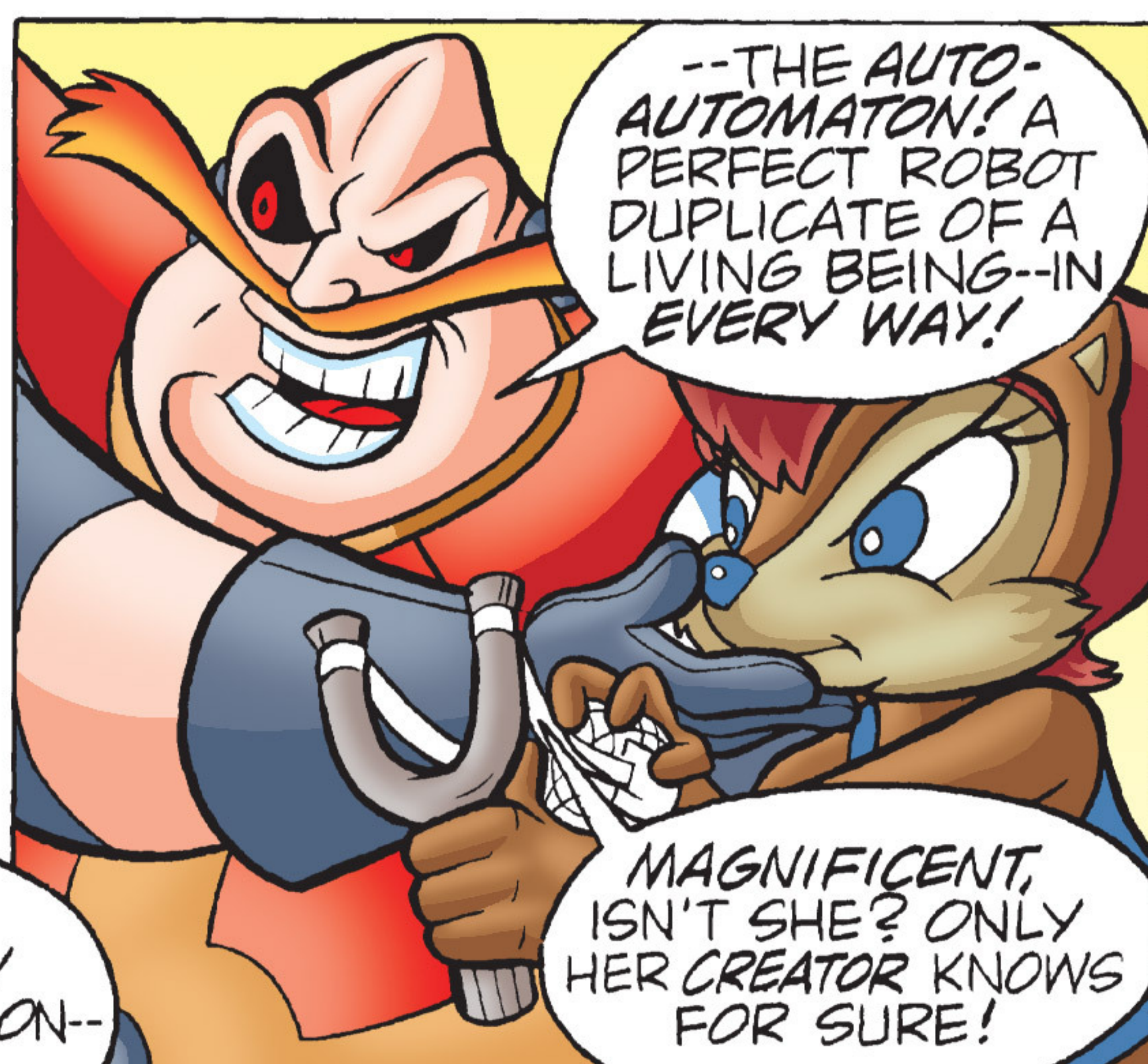
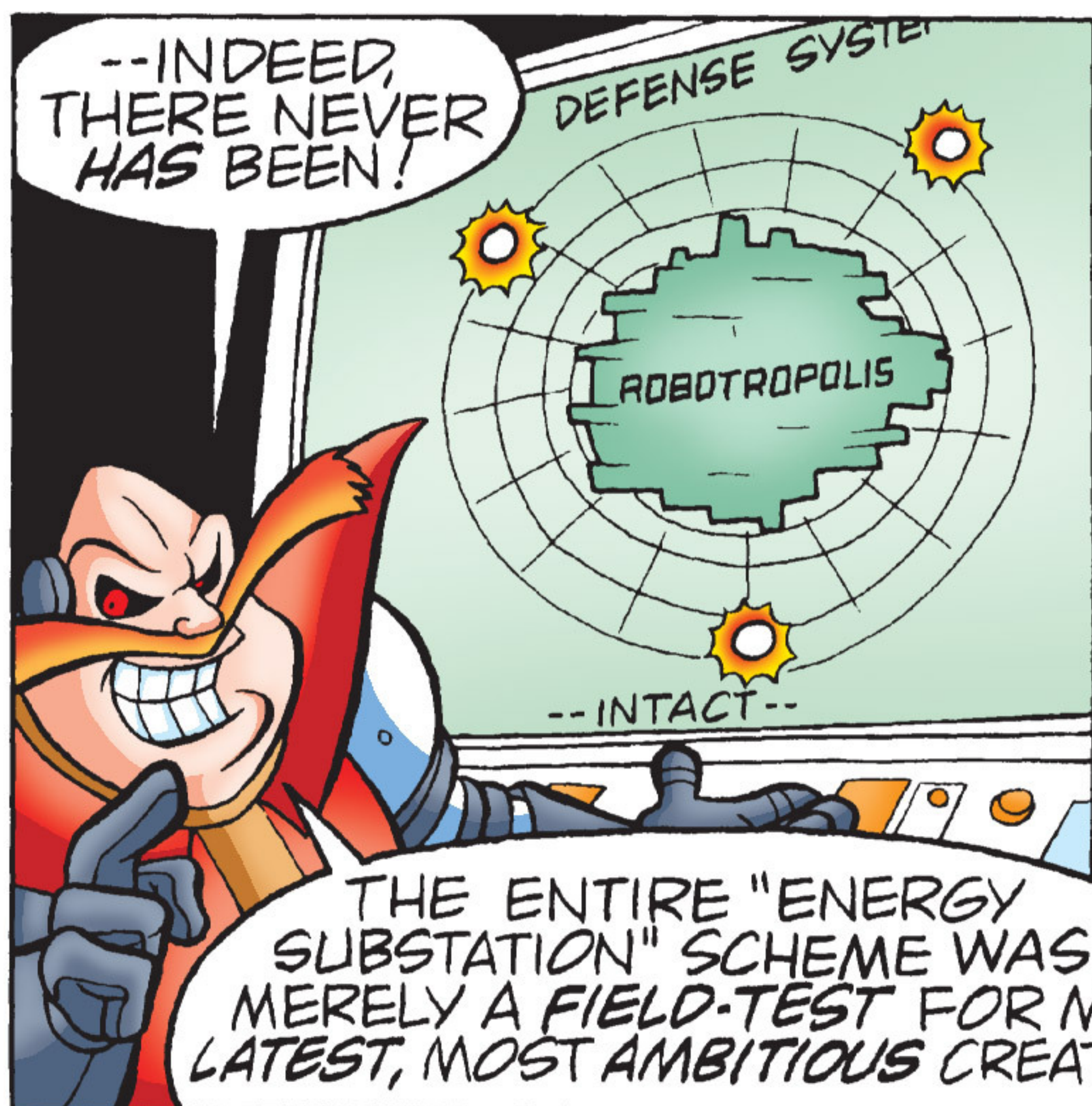
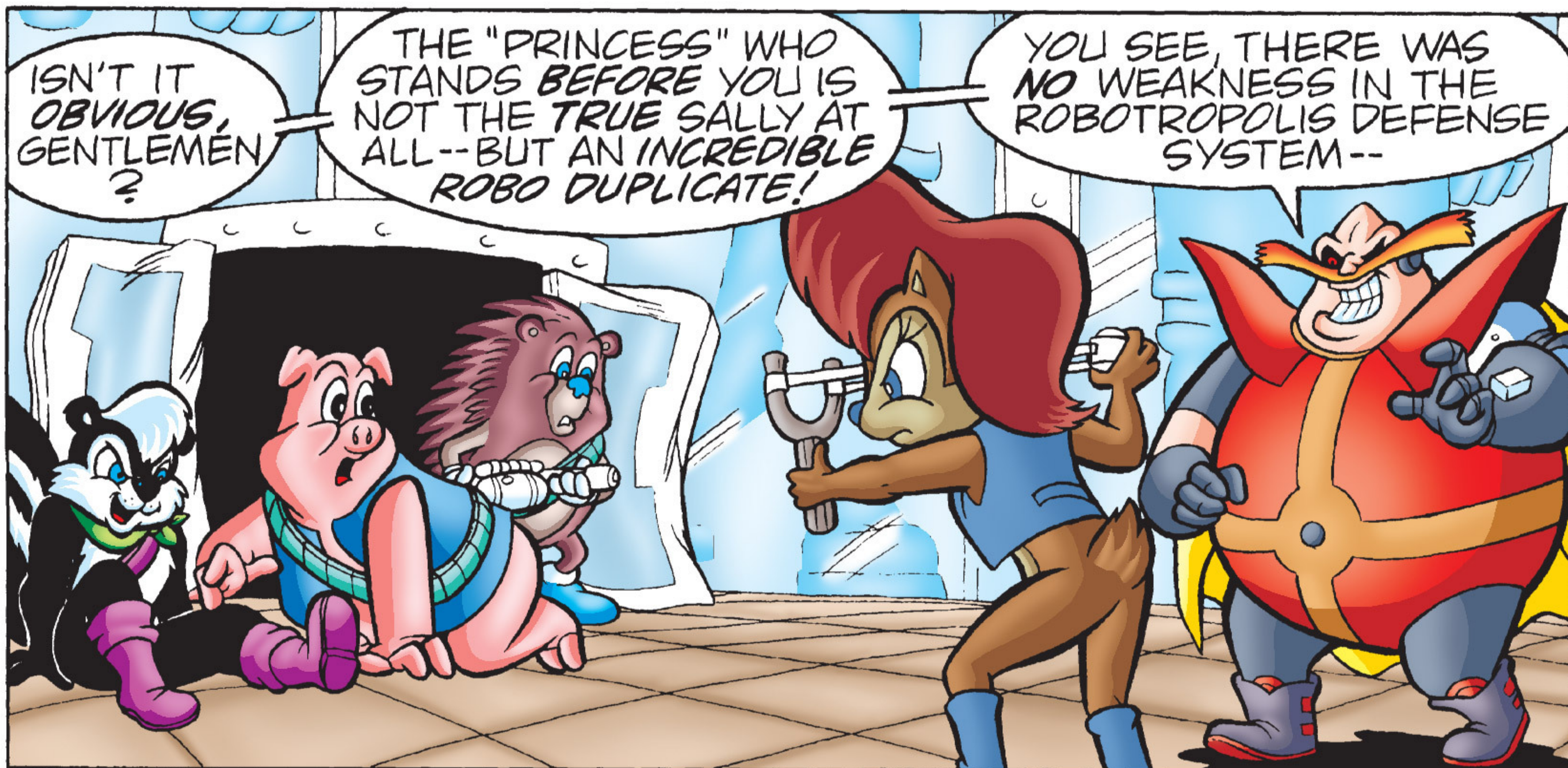
AND
MY ASSOCIATE,
I BELIEVE, IS
ALREADY KNOWN
TO YOU.

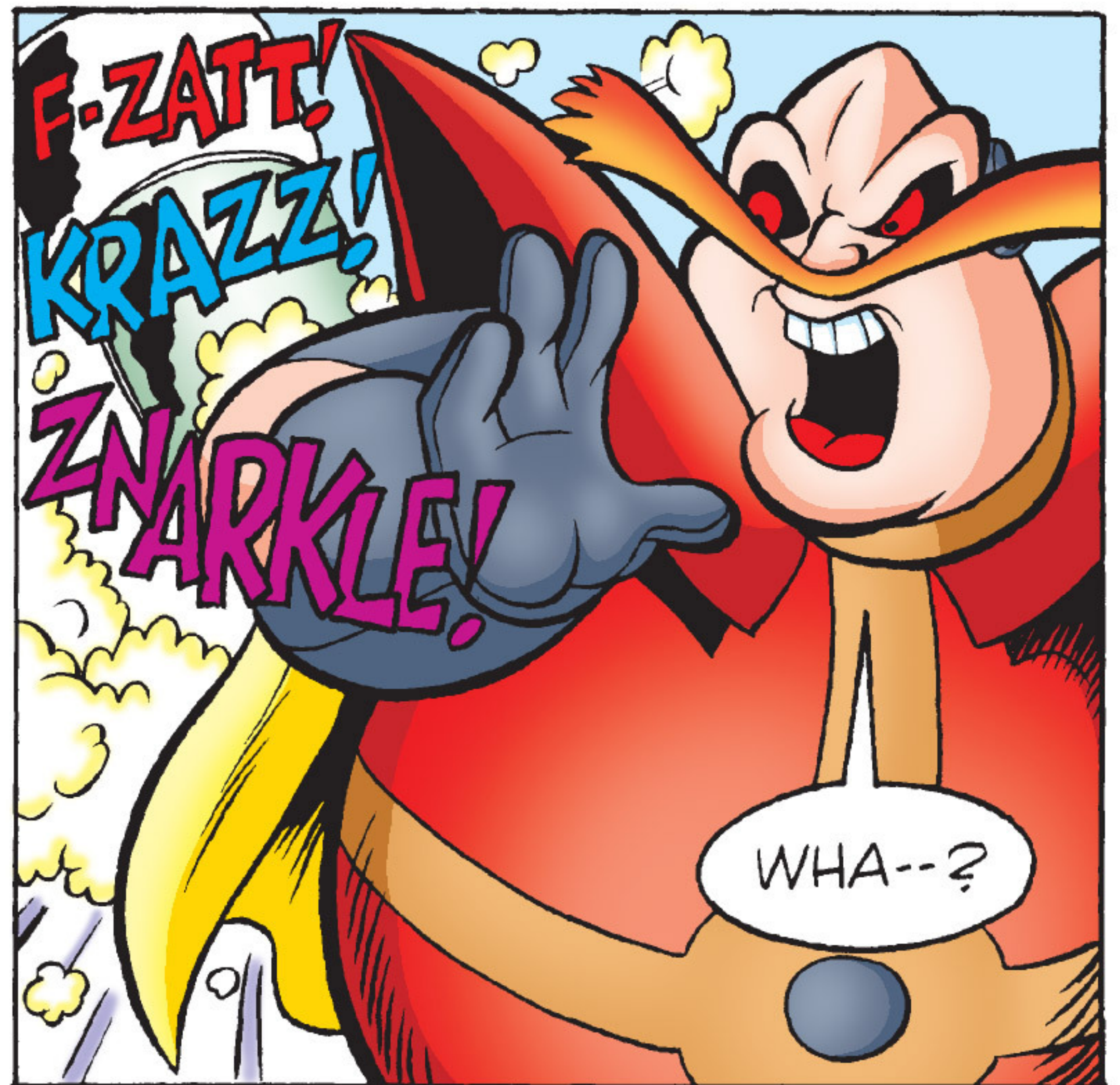
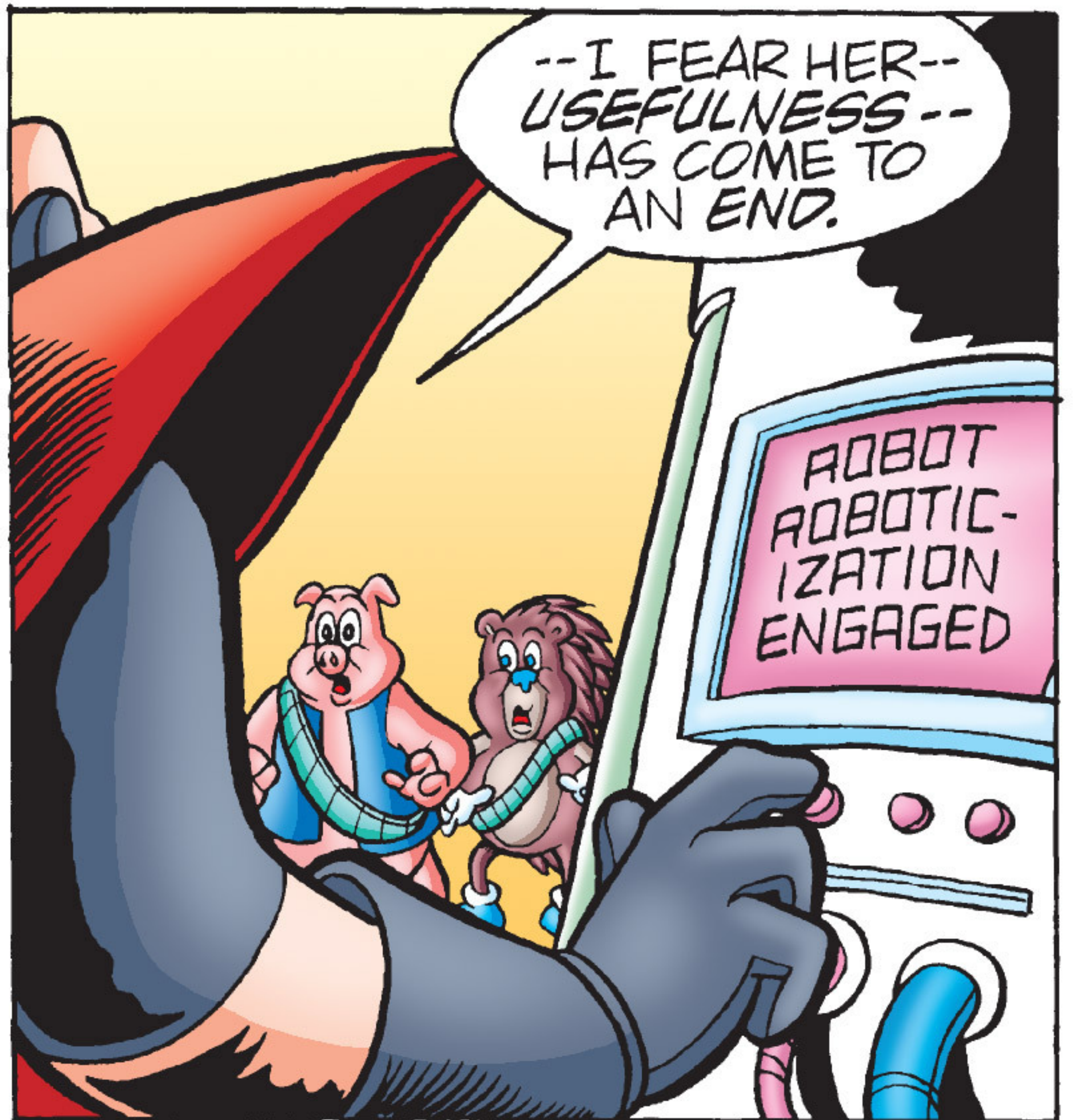
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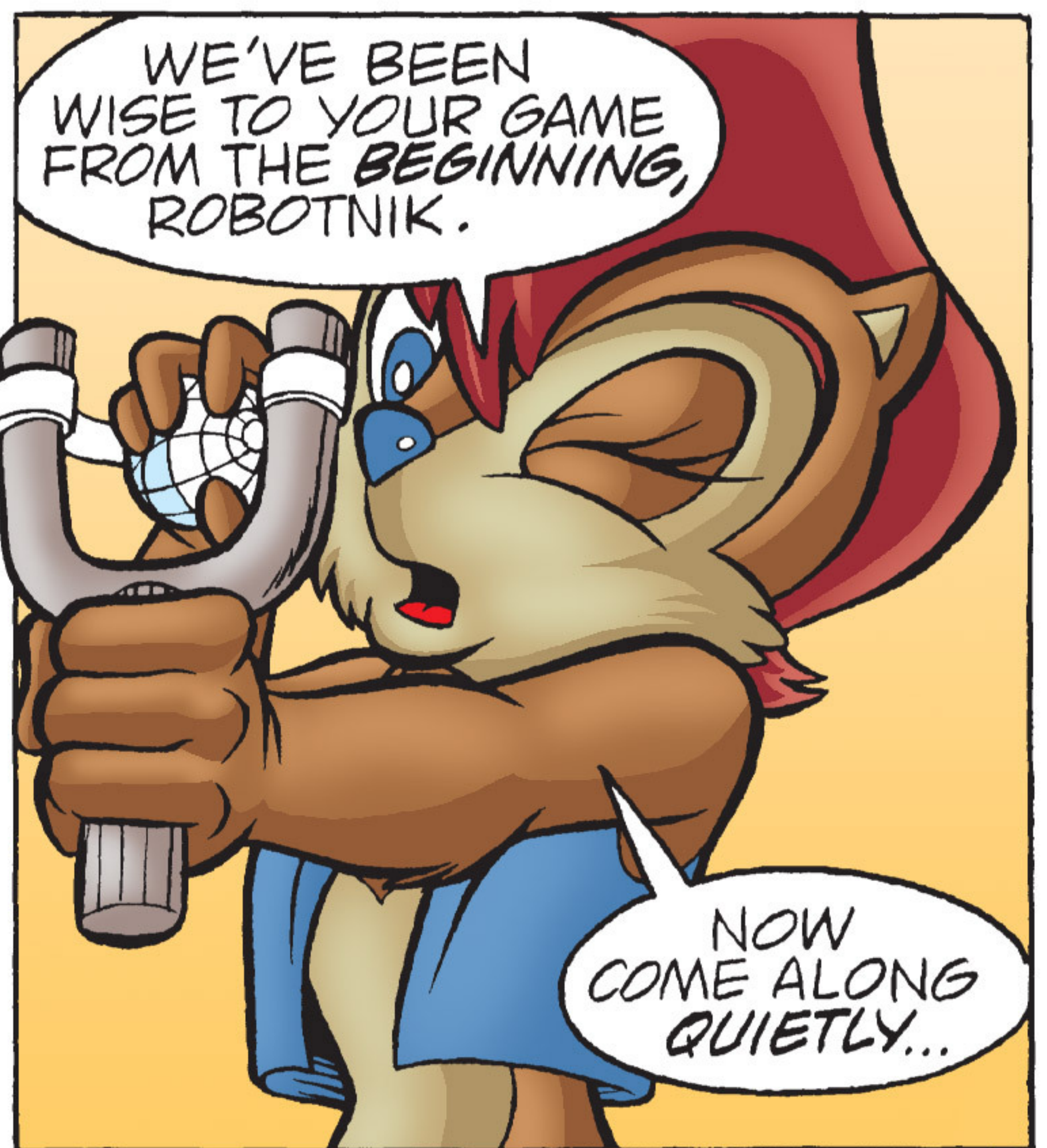
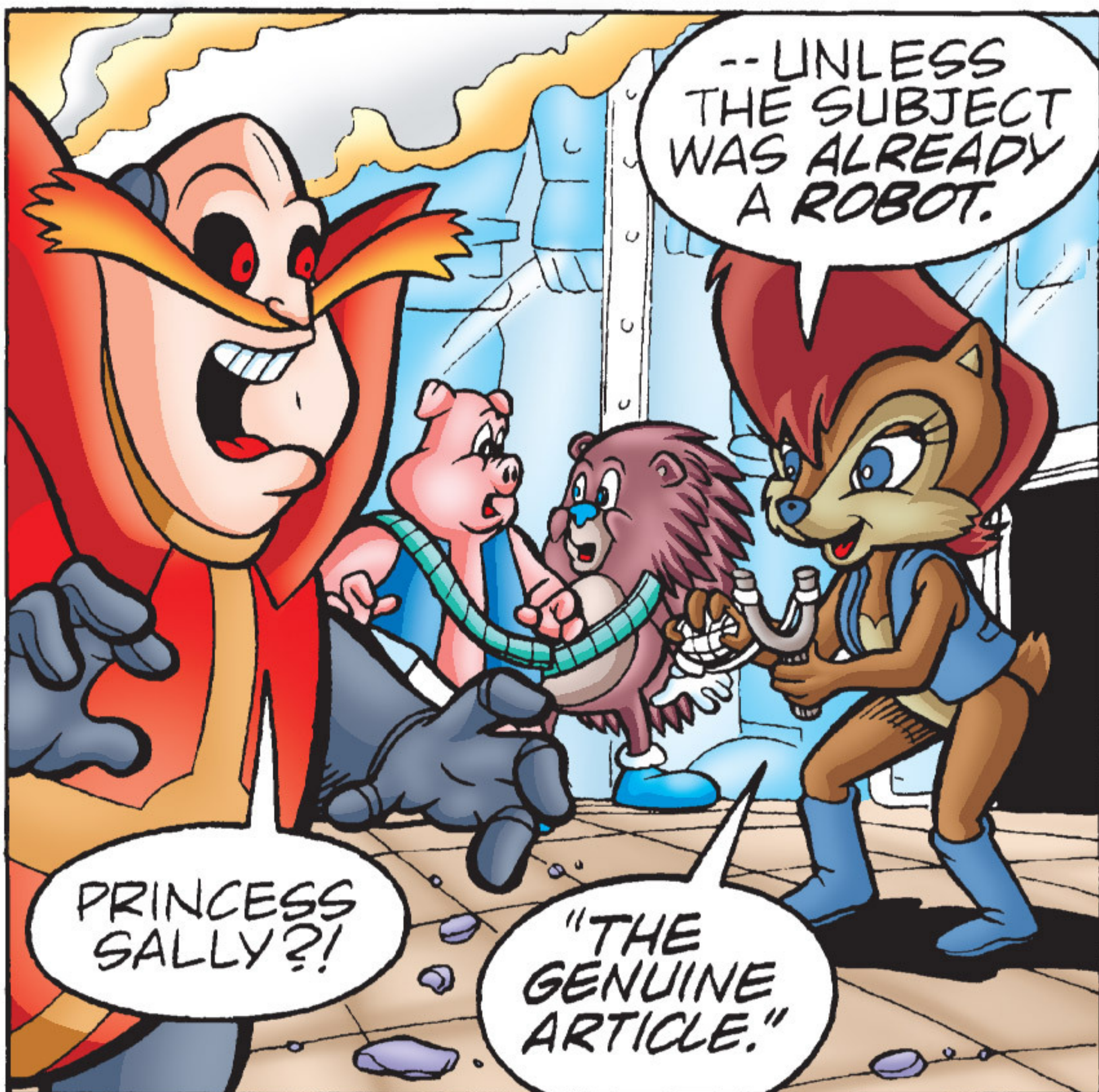
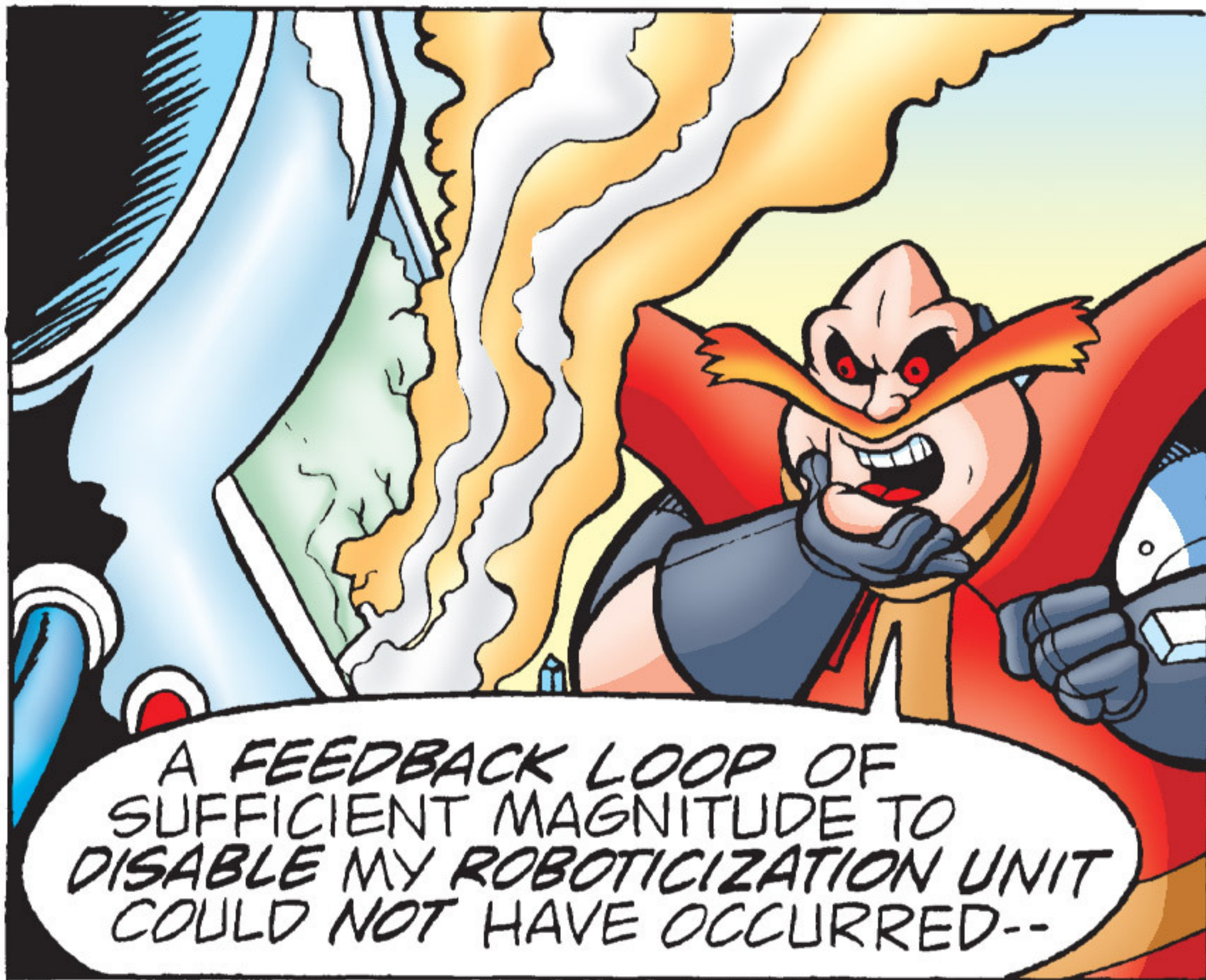
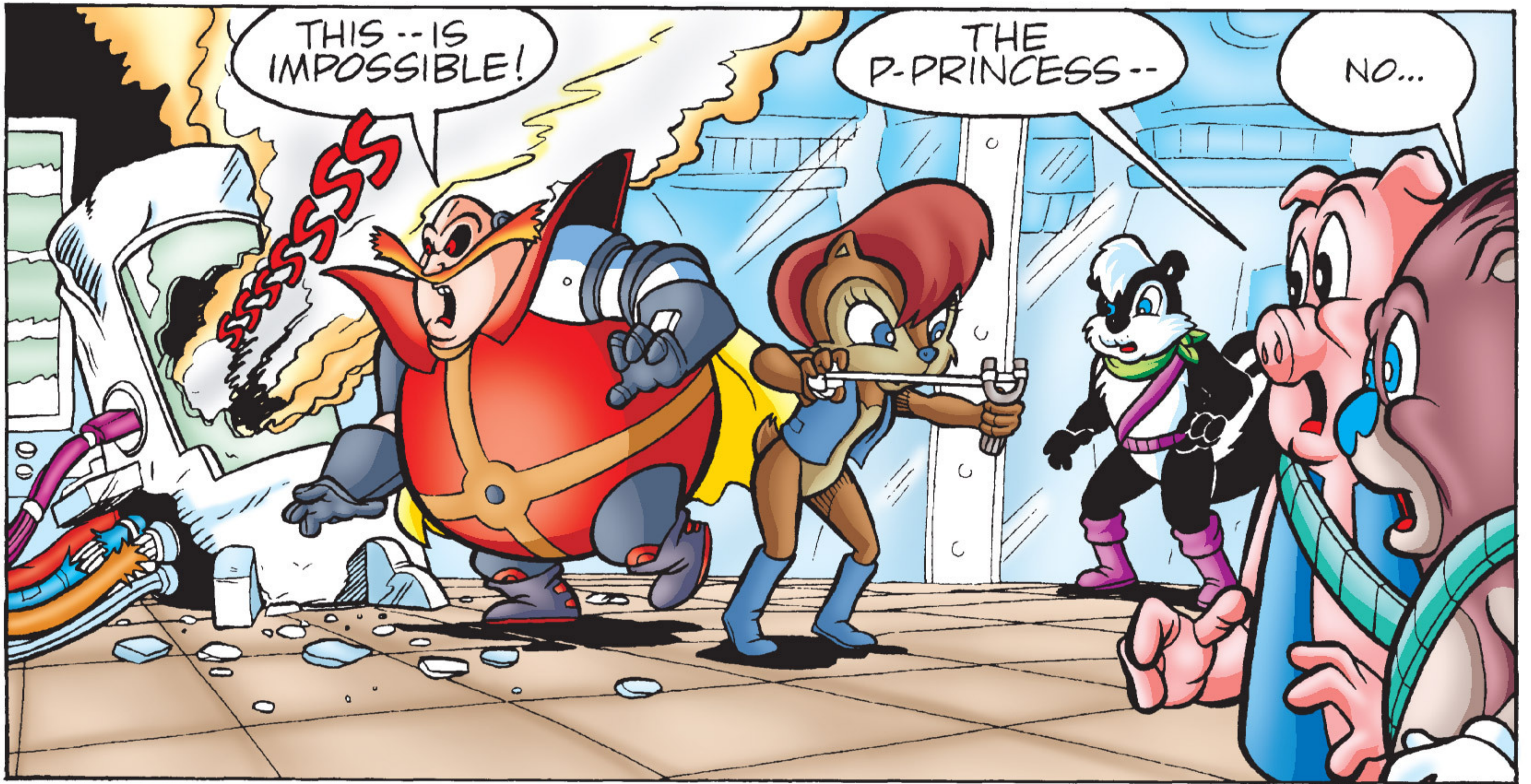
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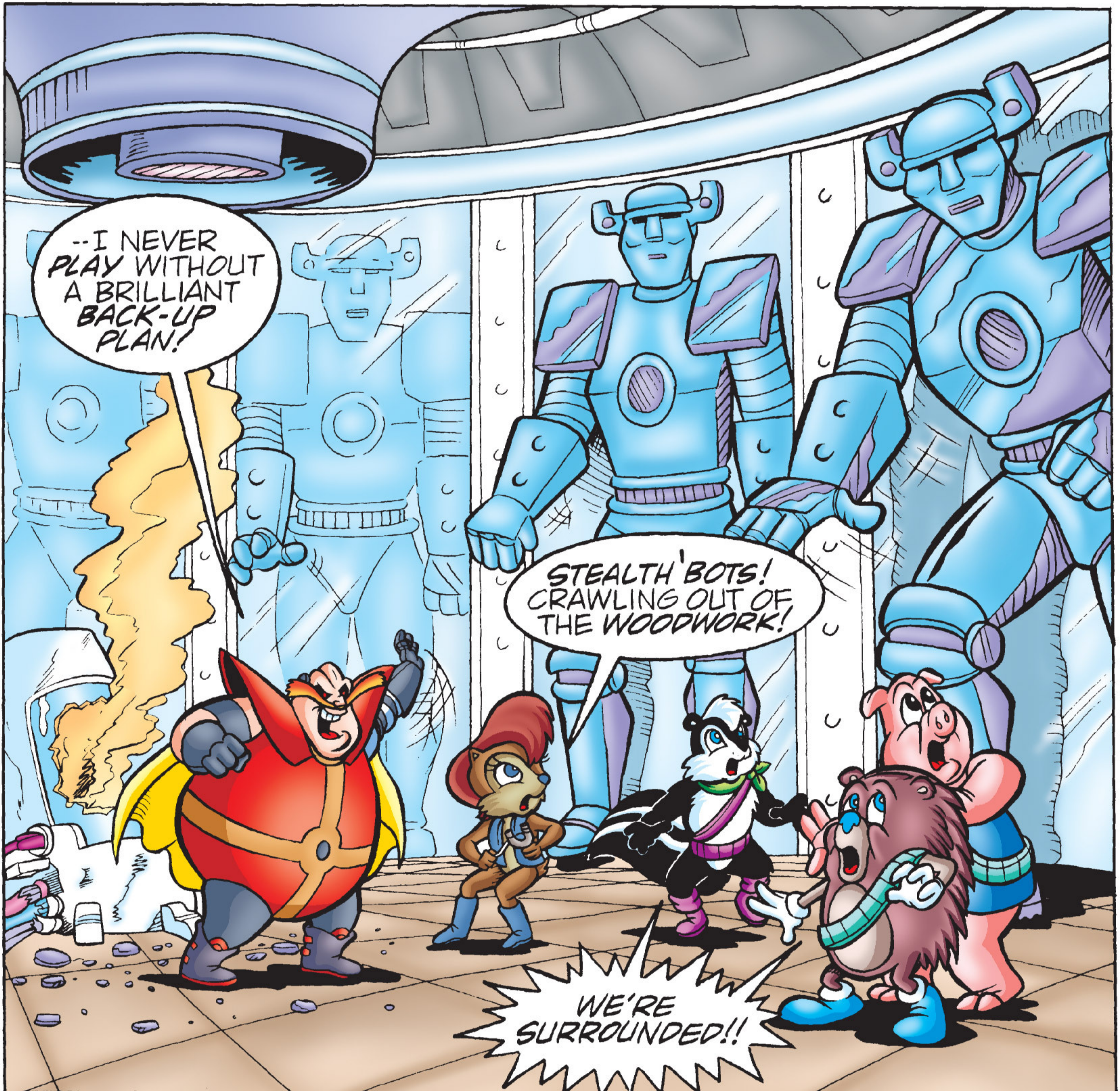
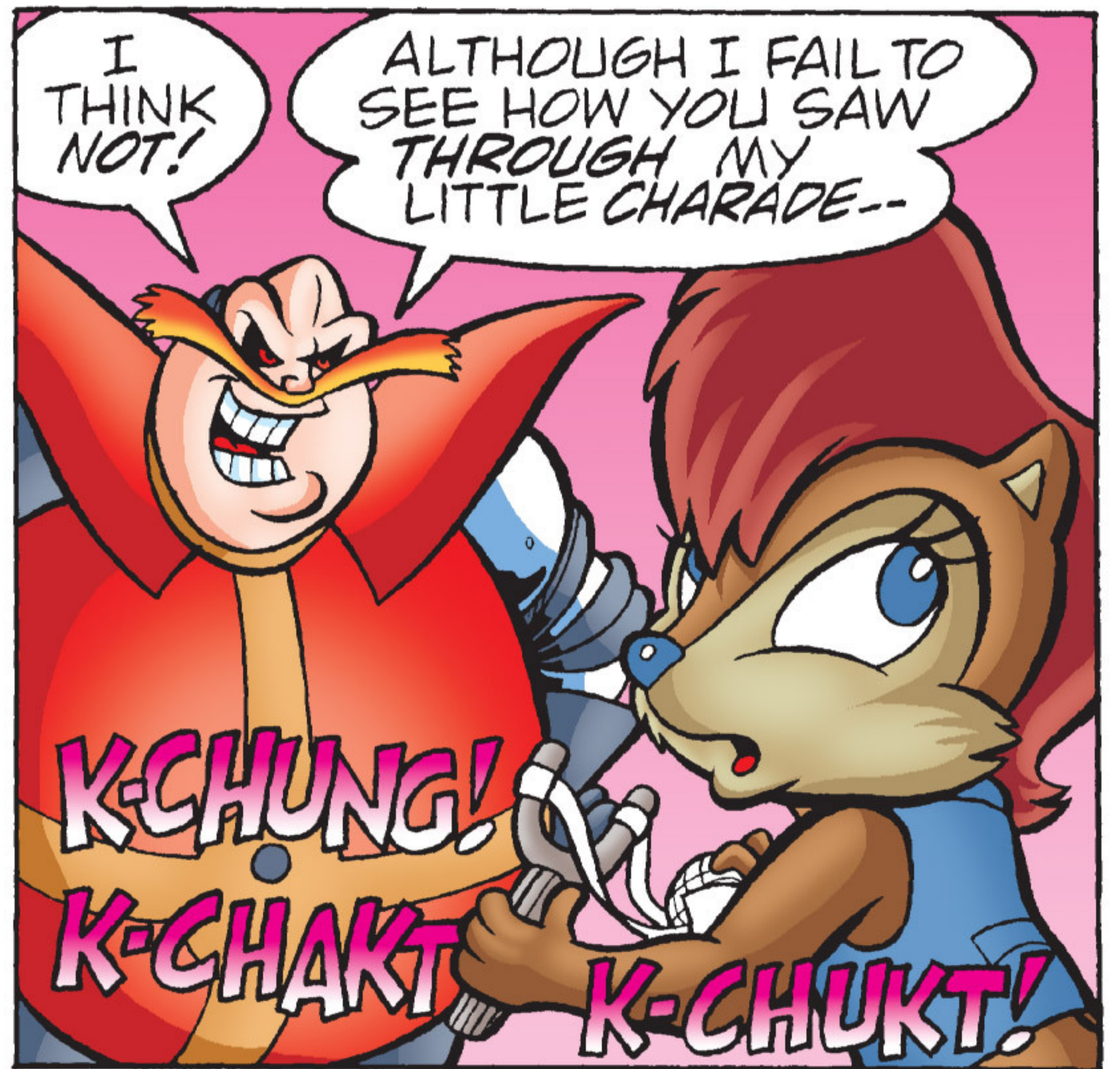


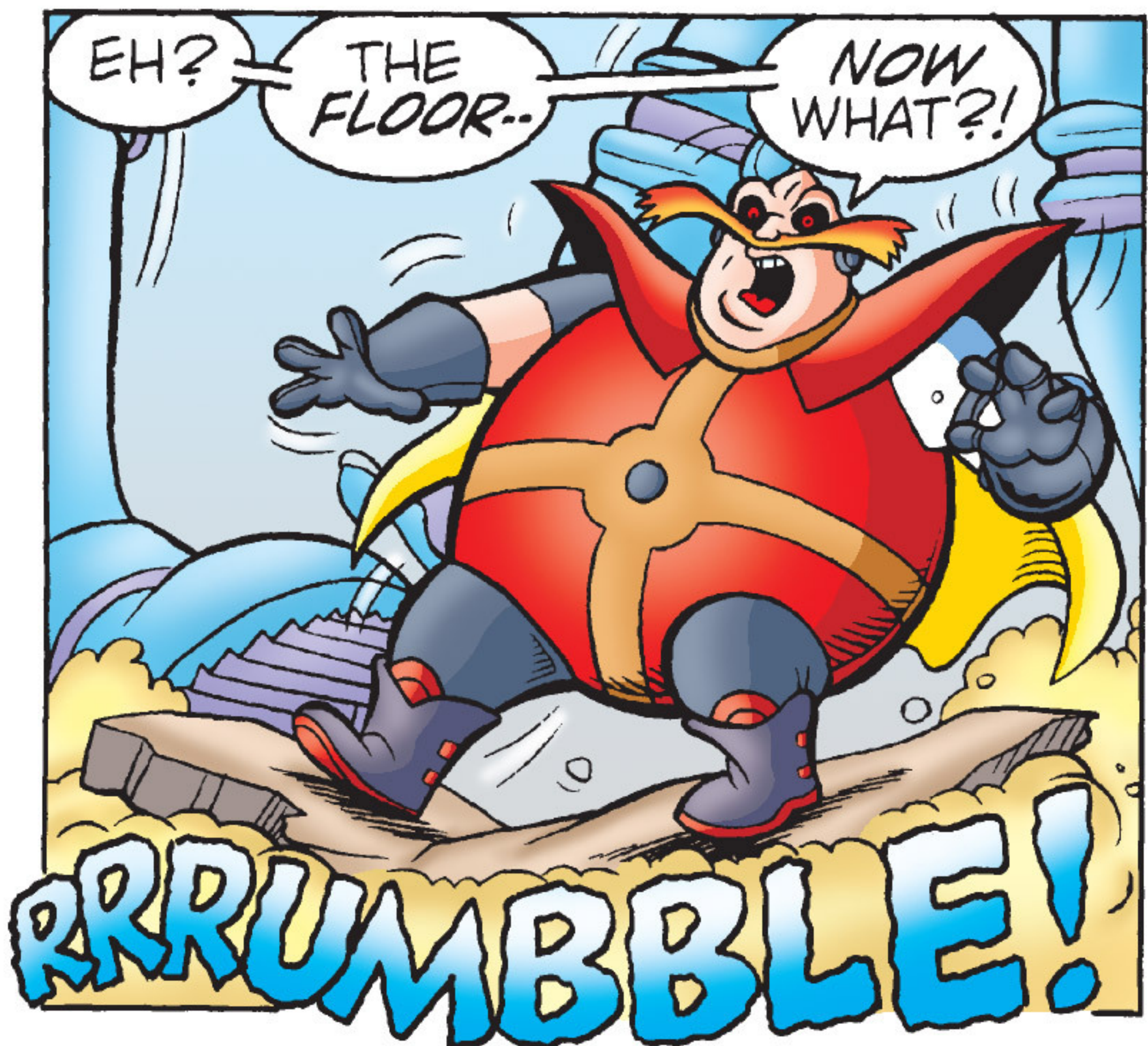


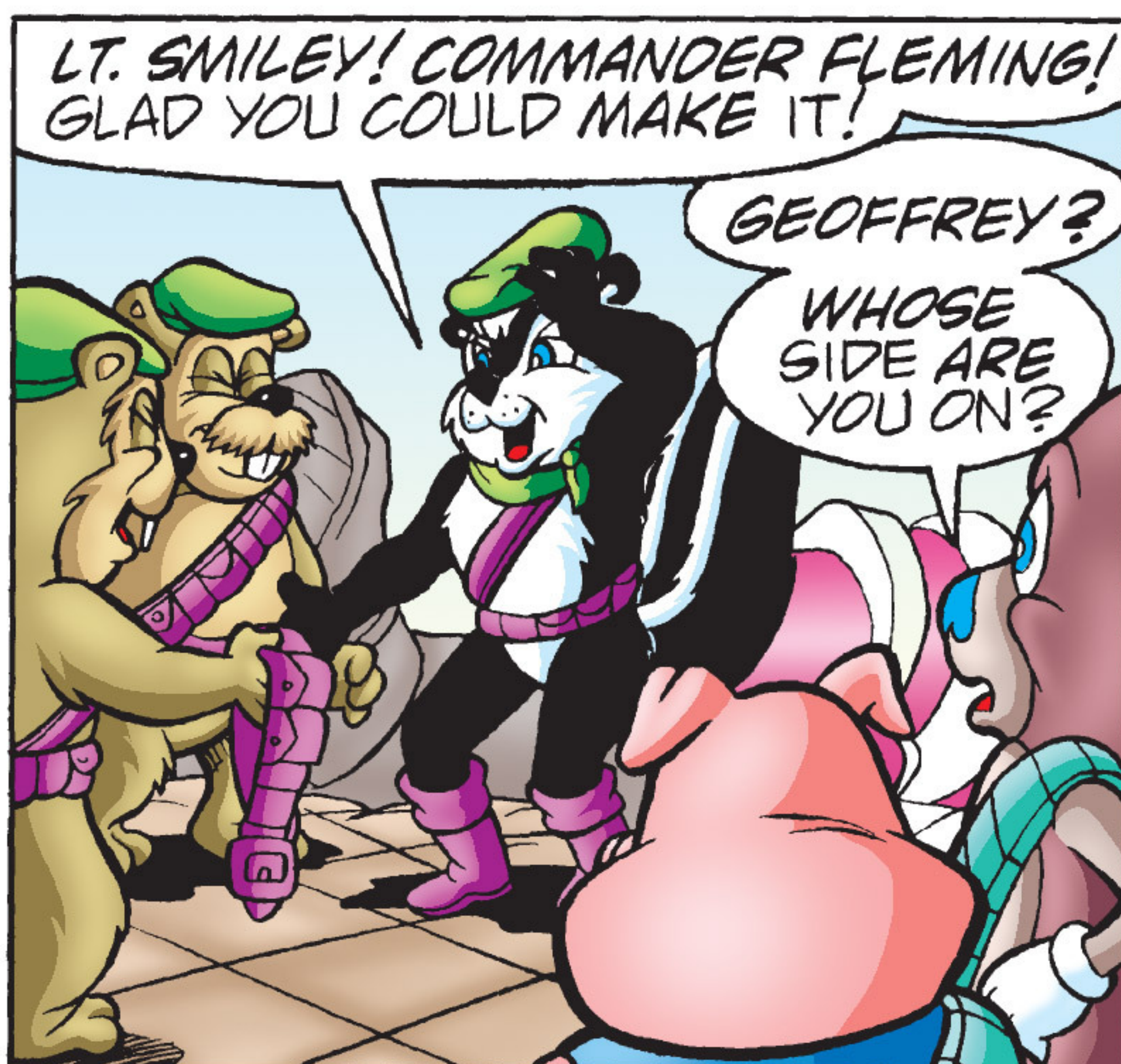
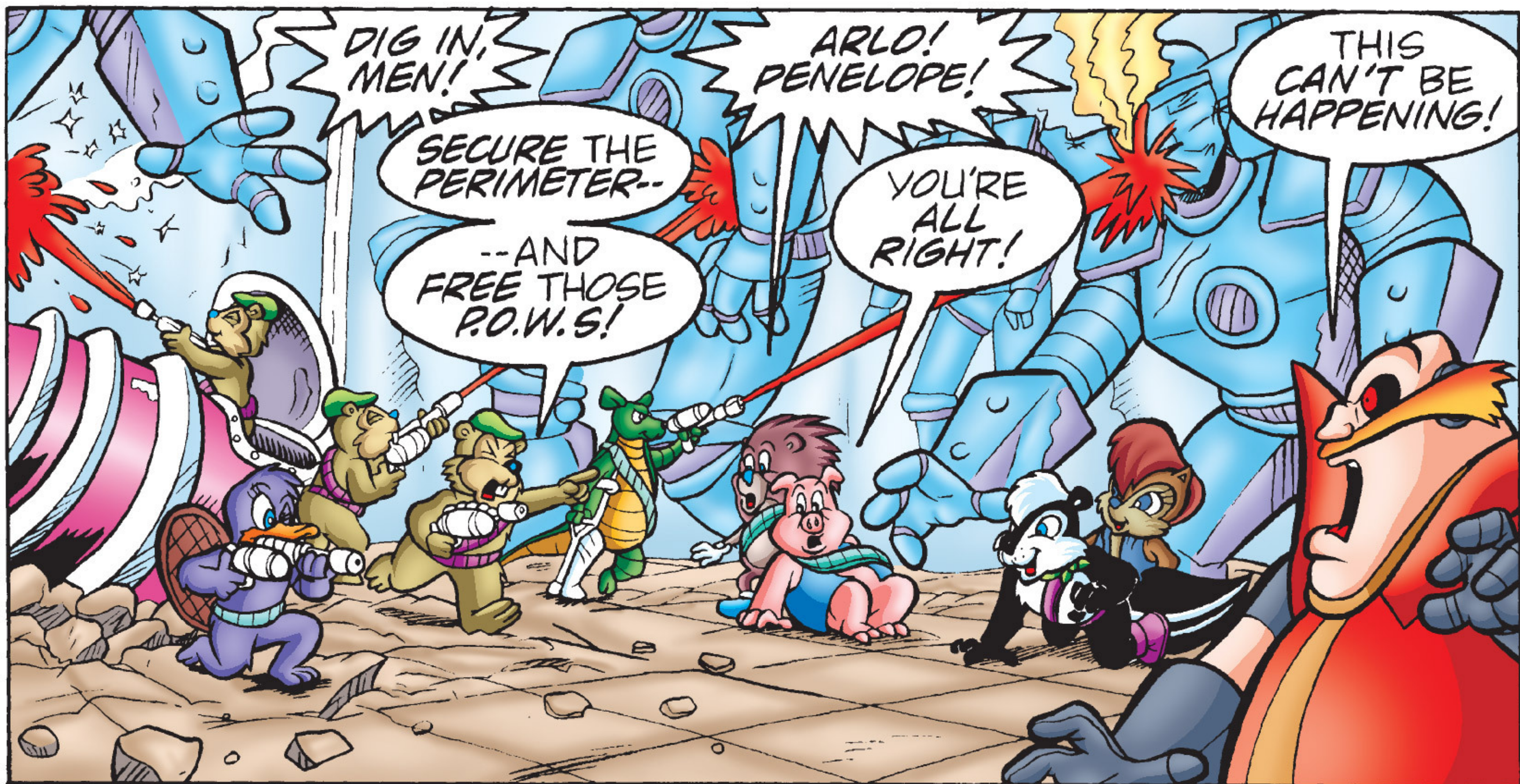


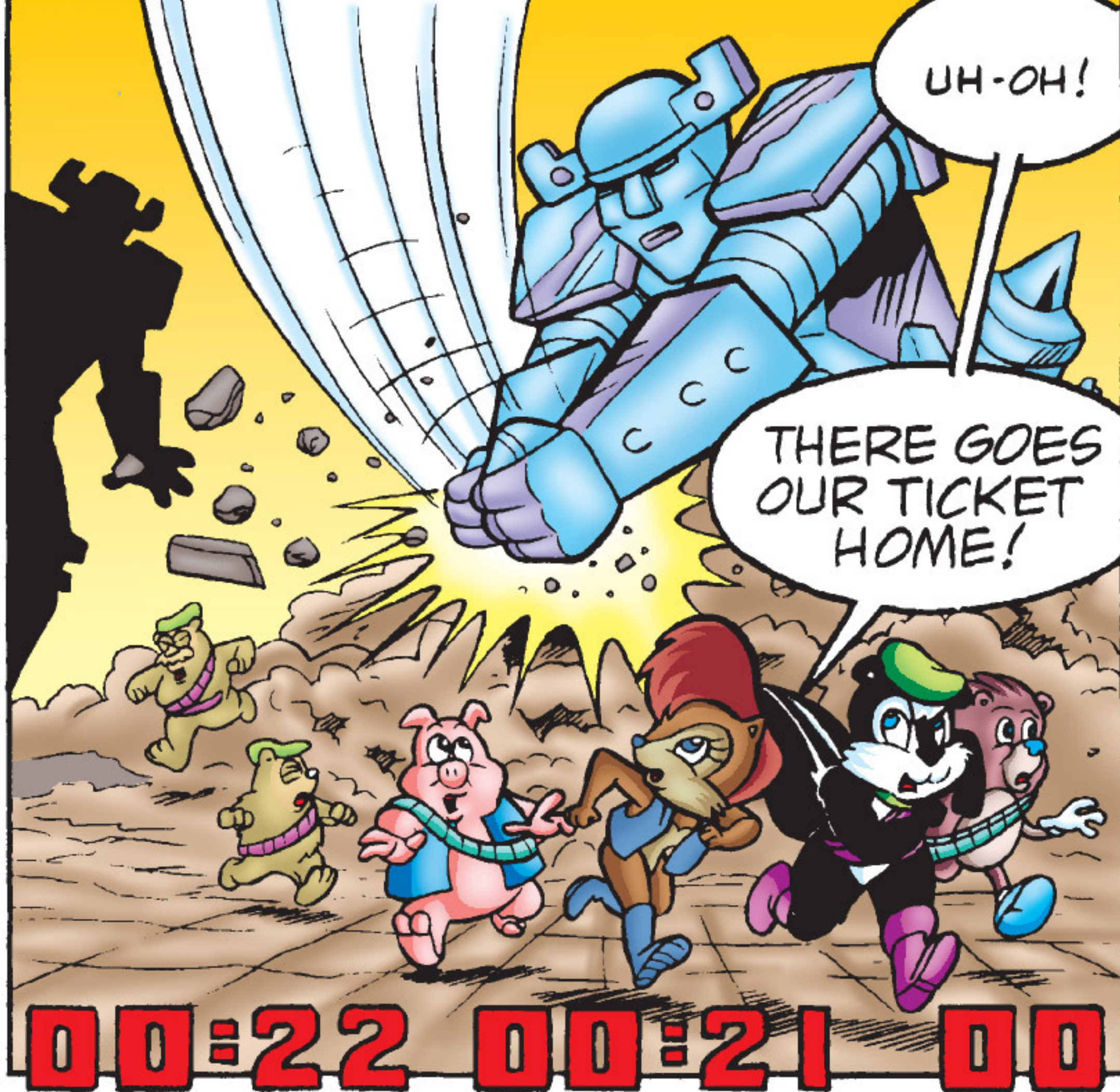
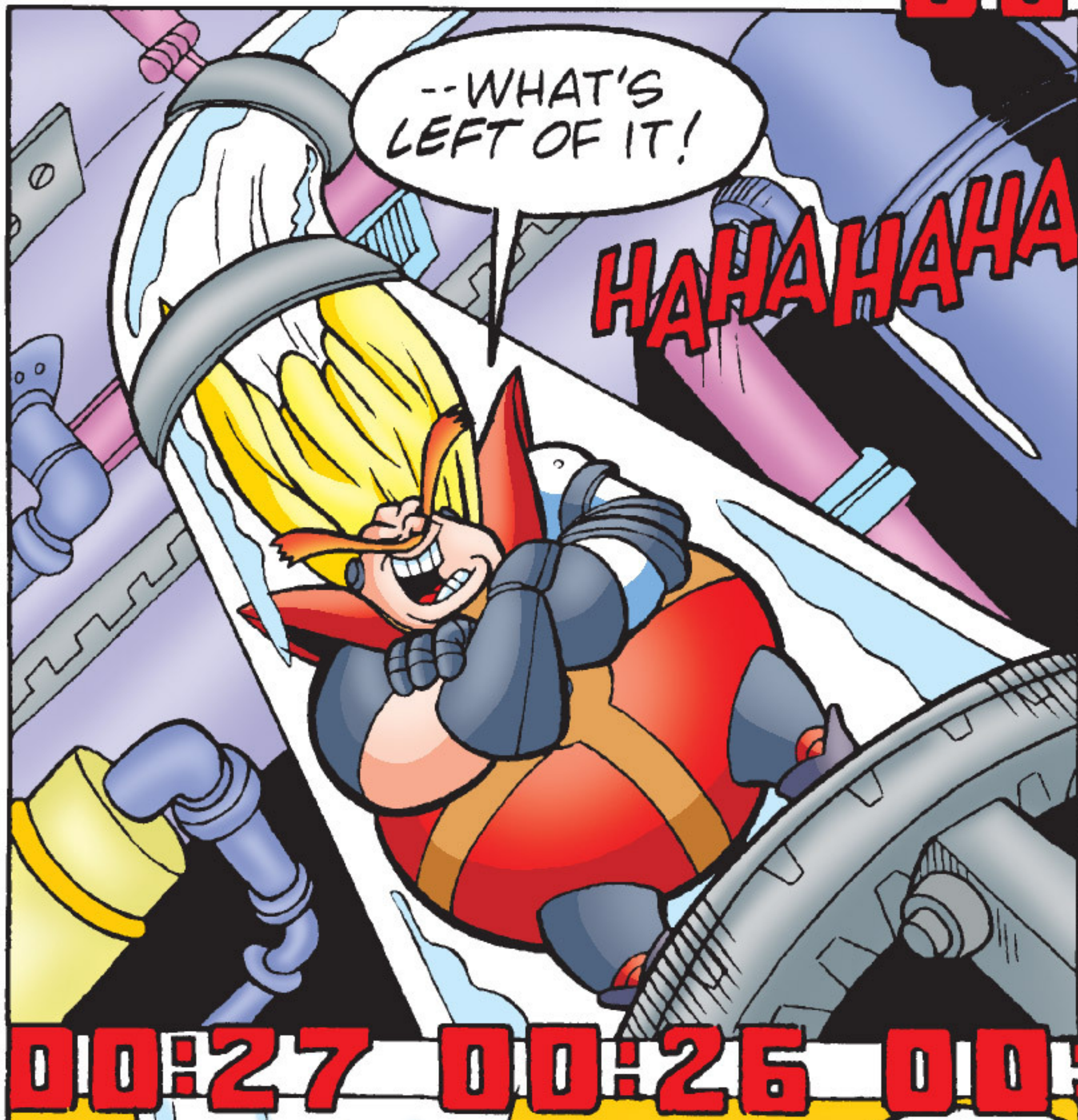
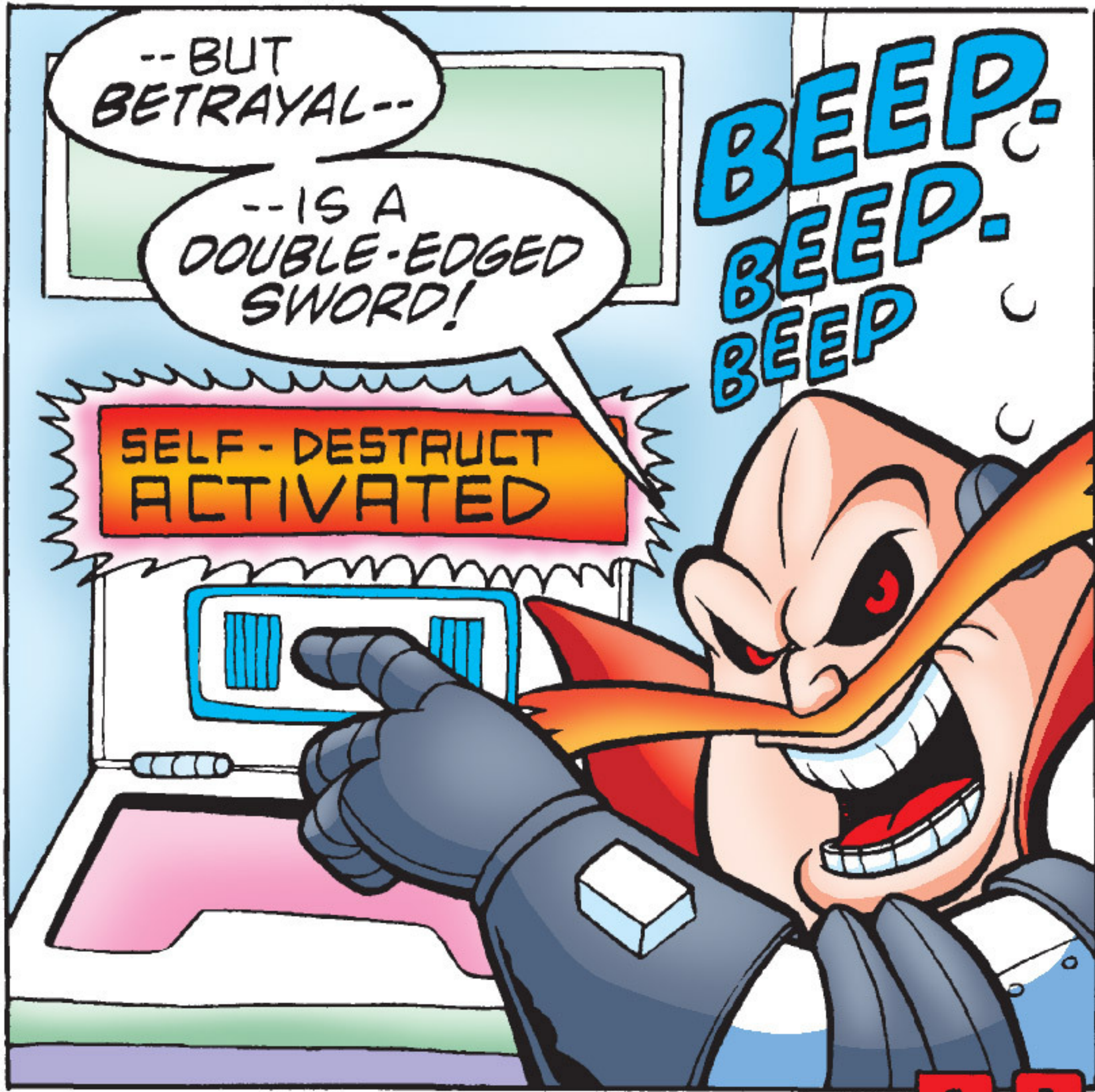


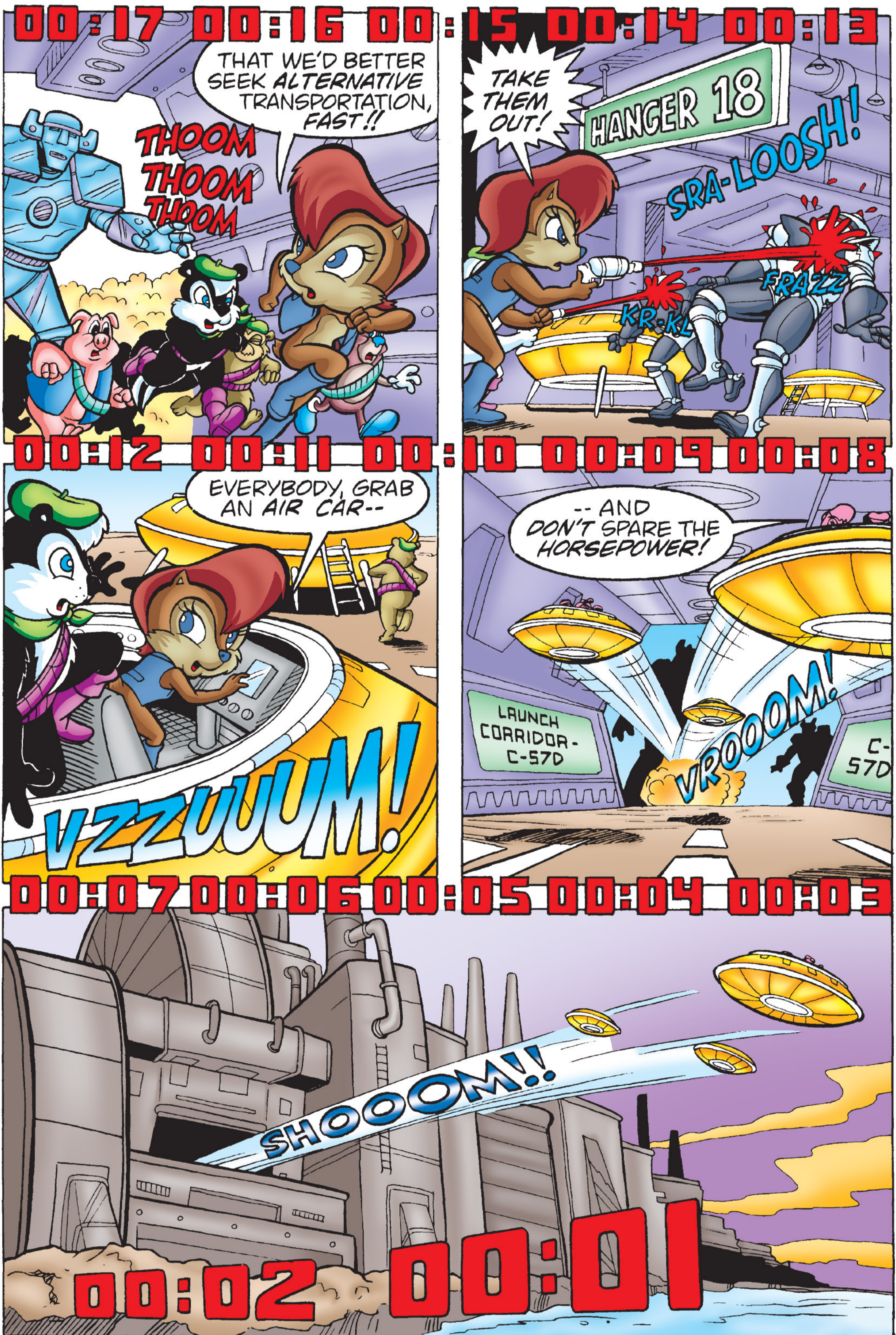


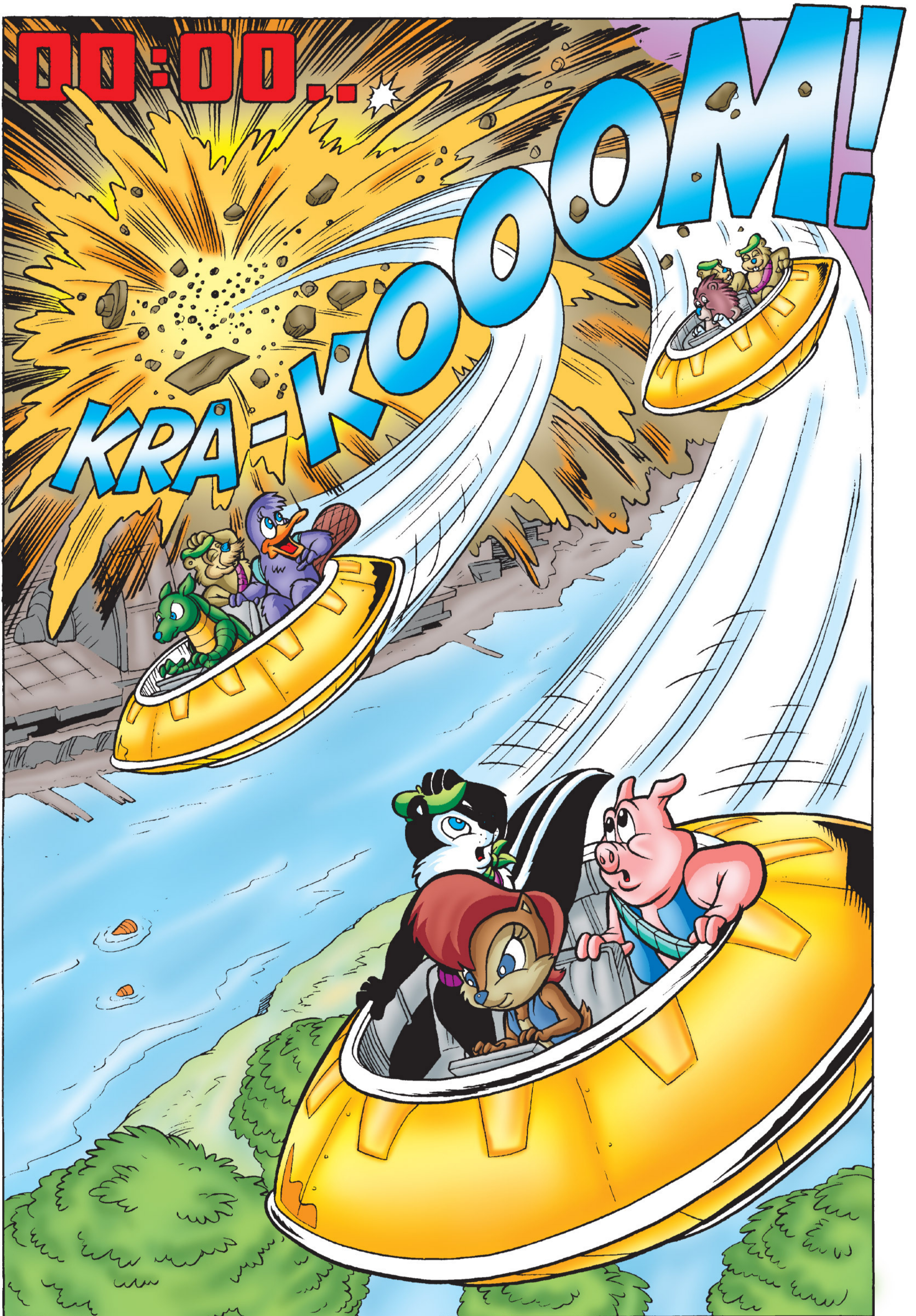


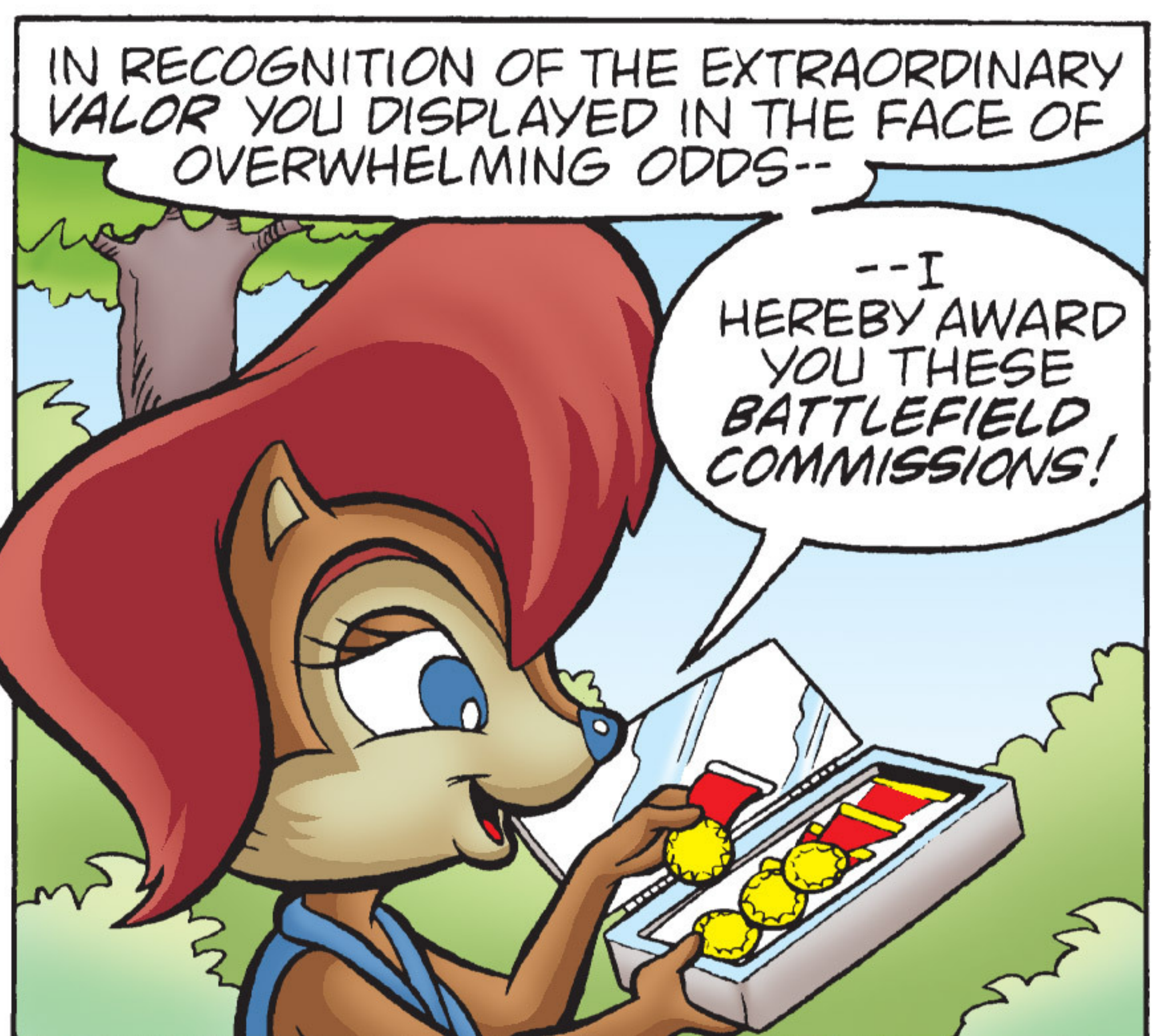
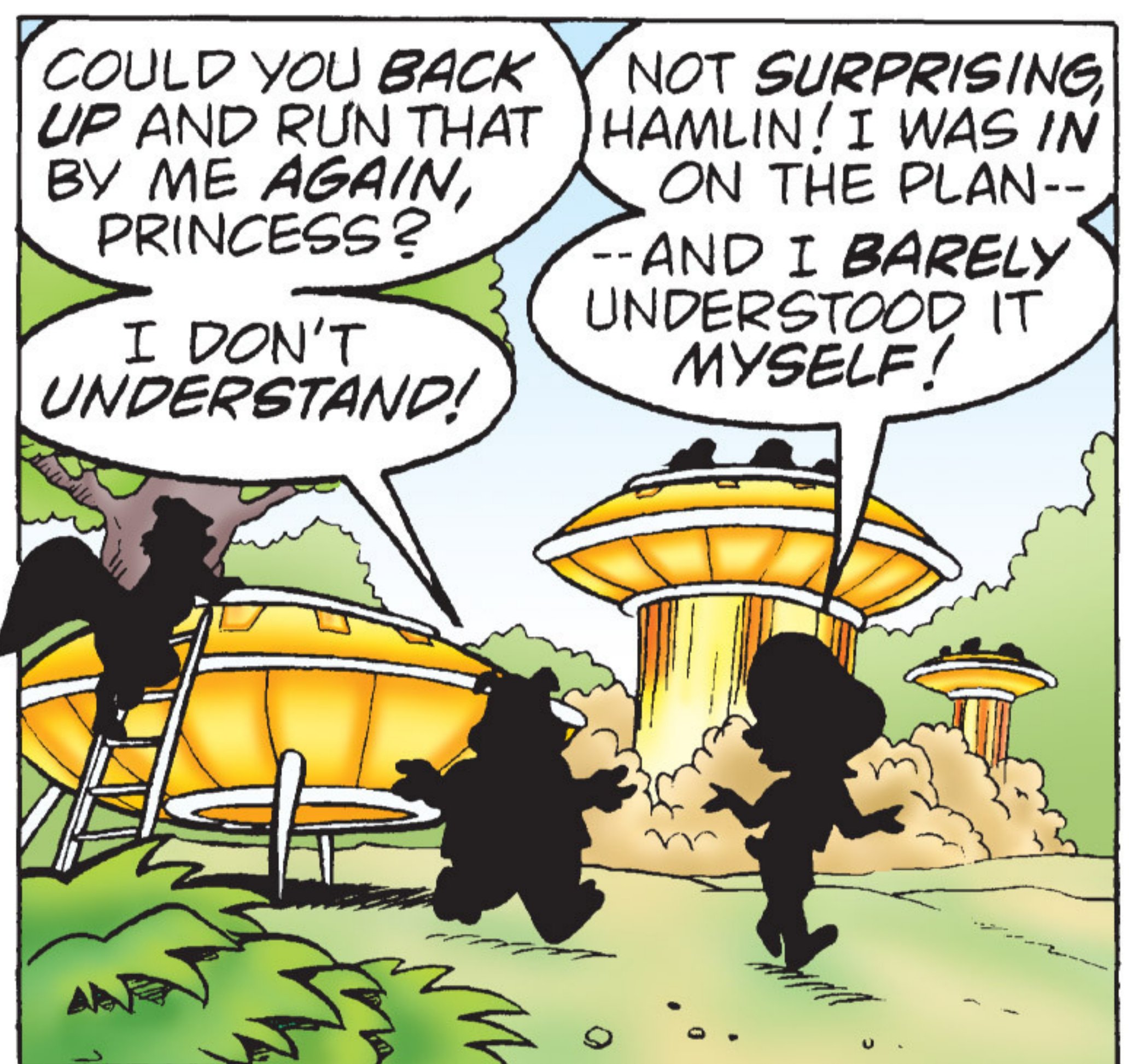
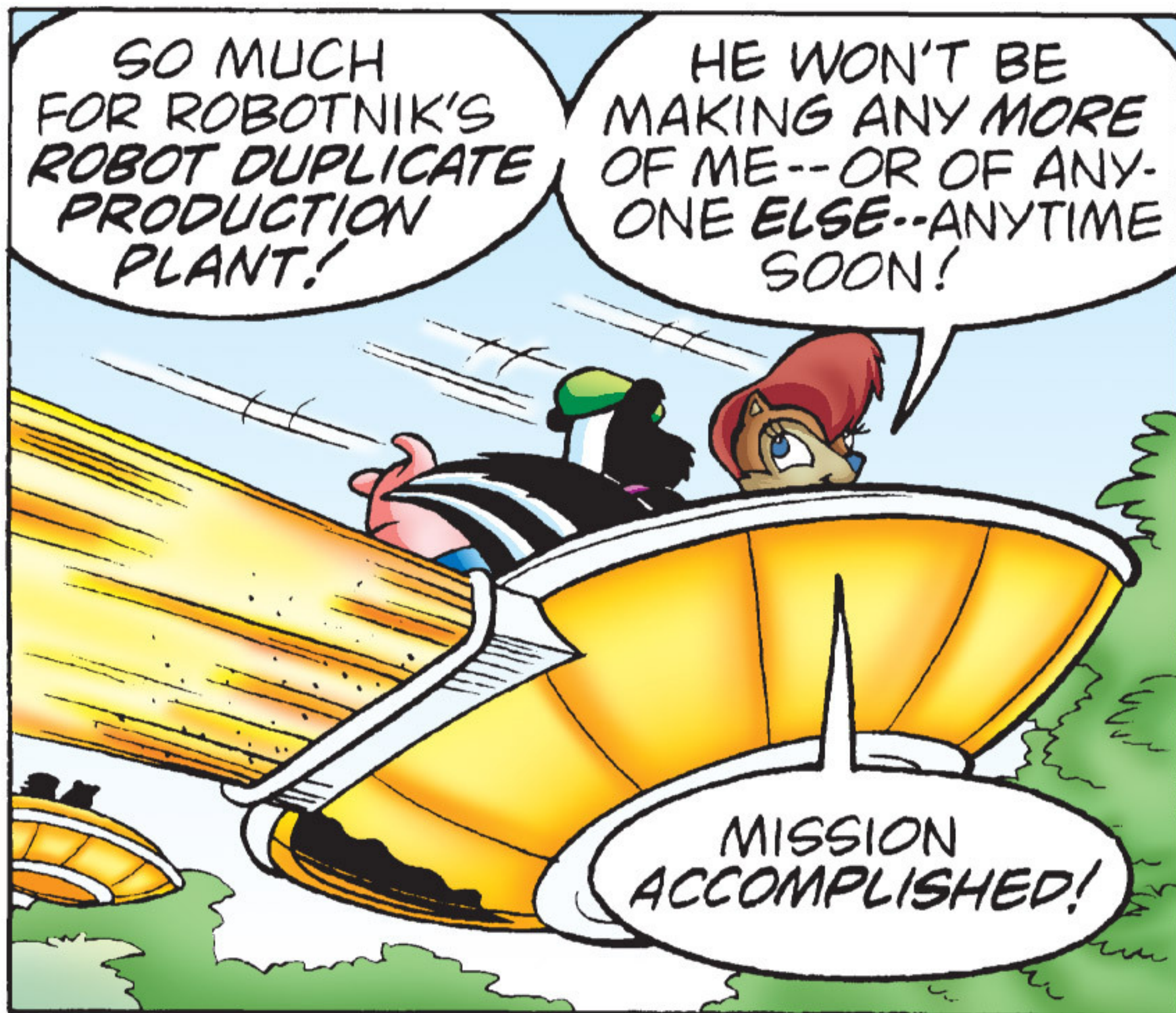


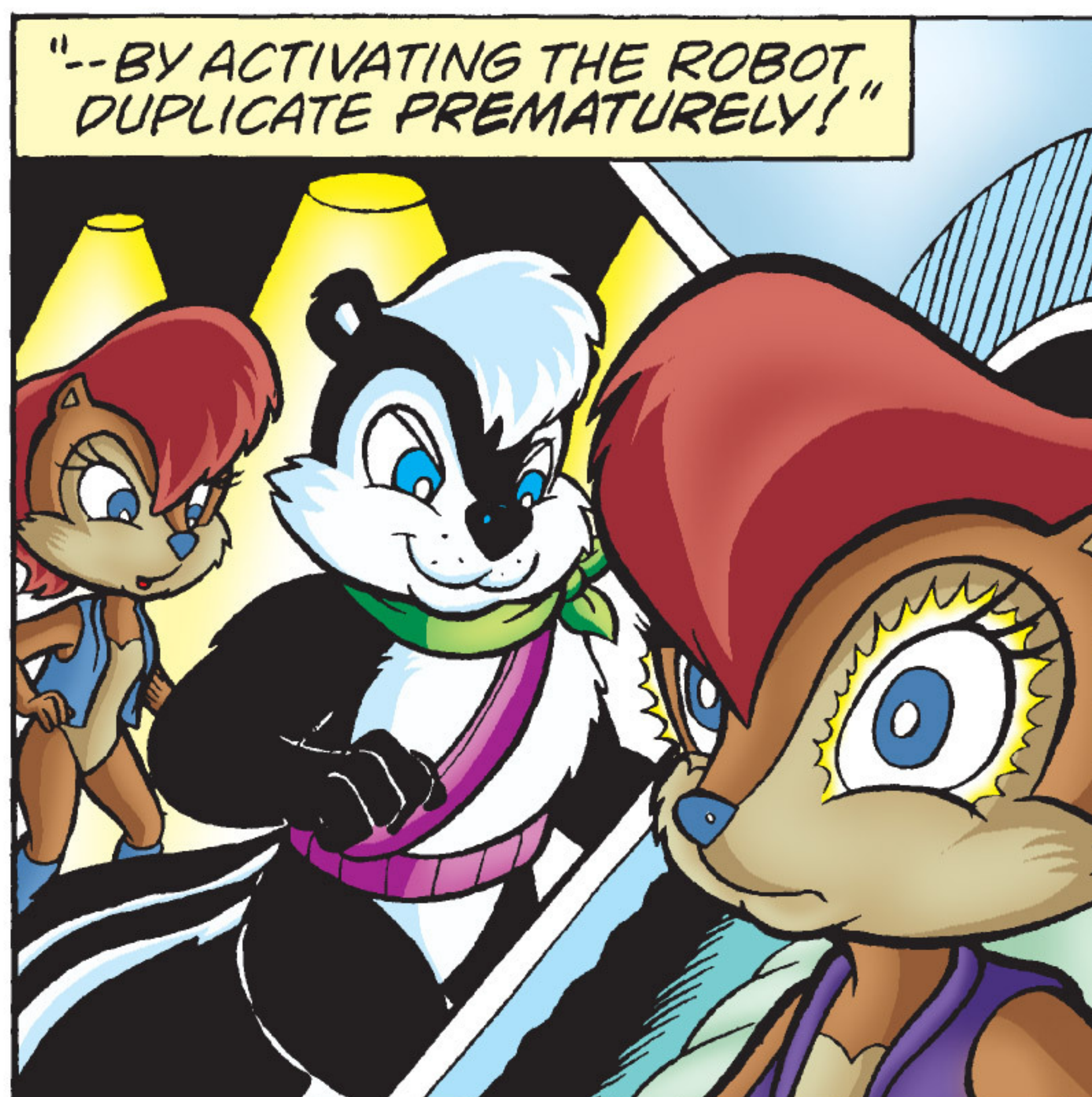
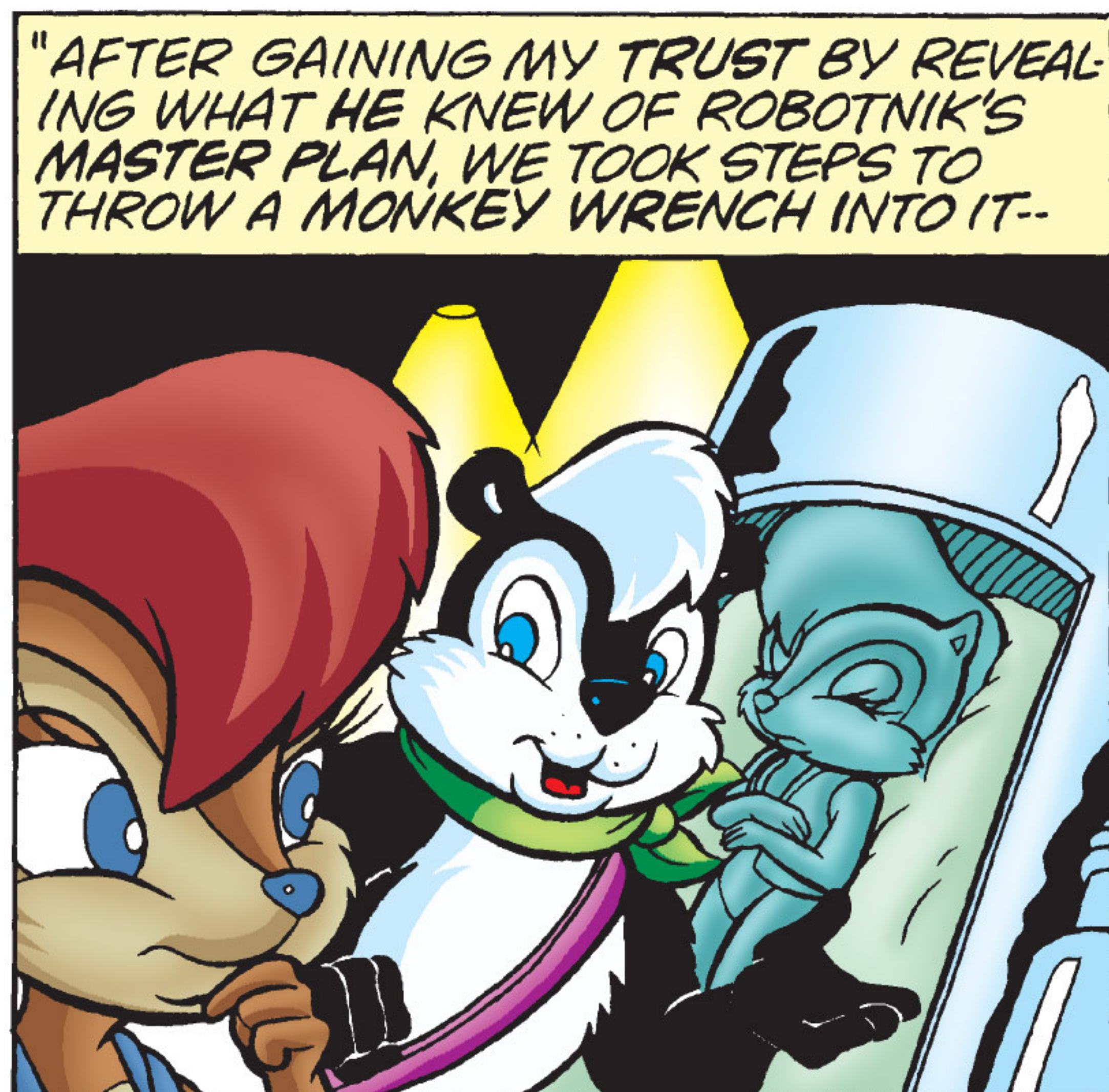
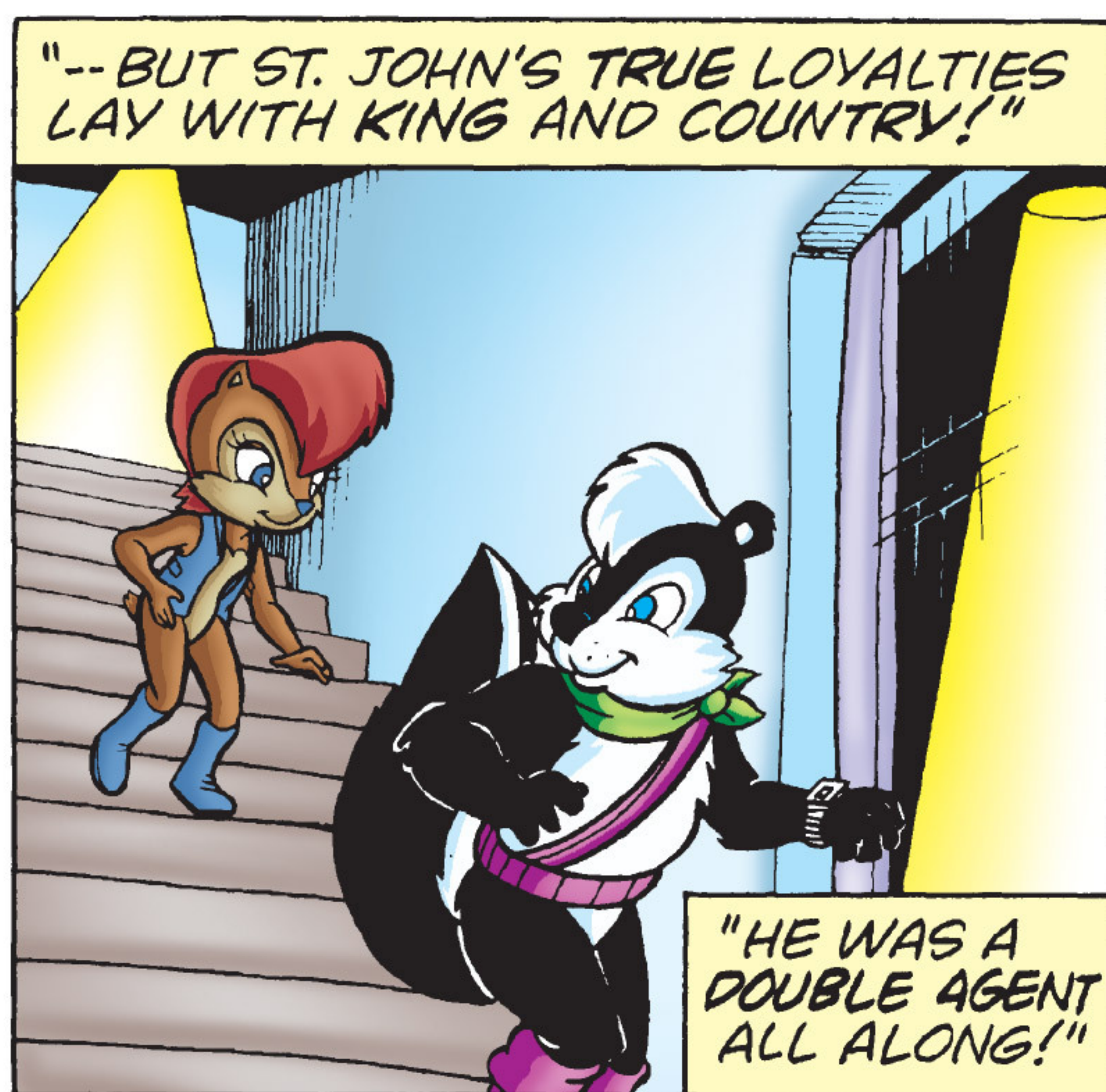
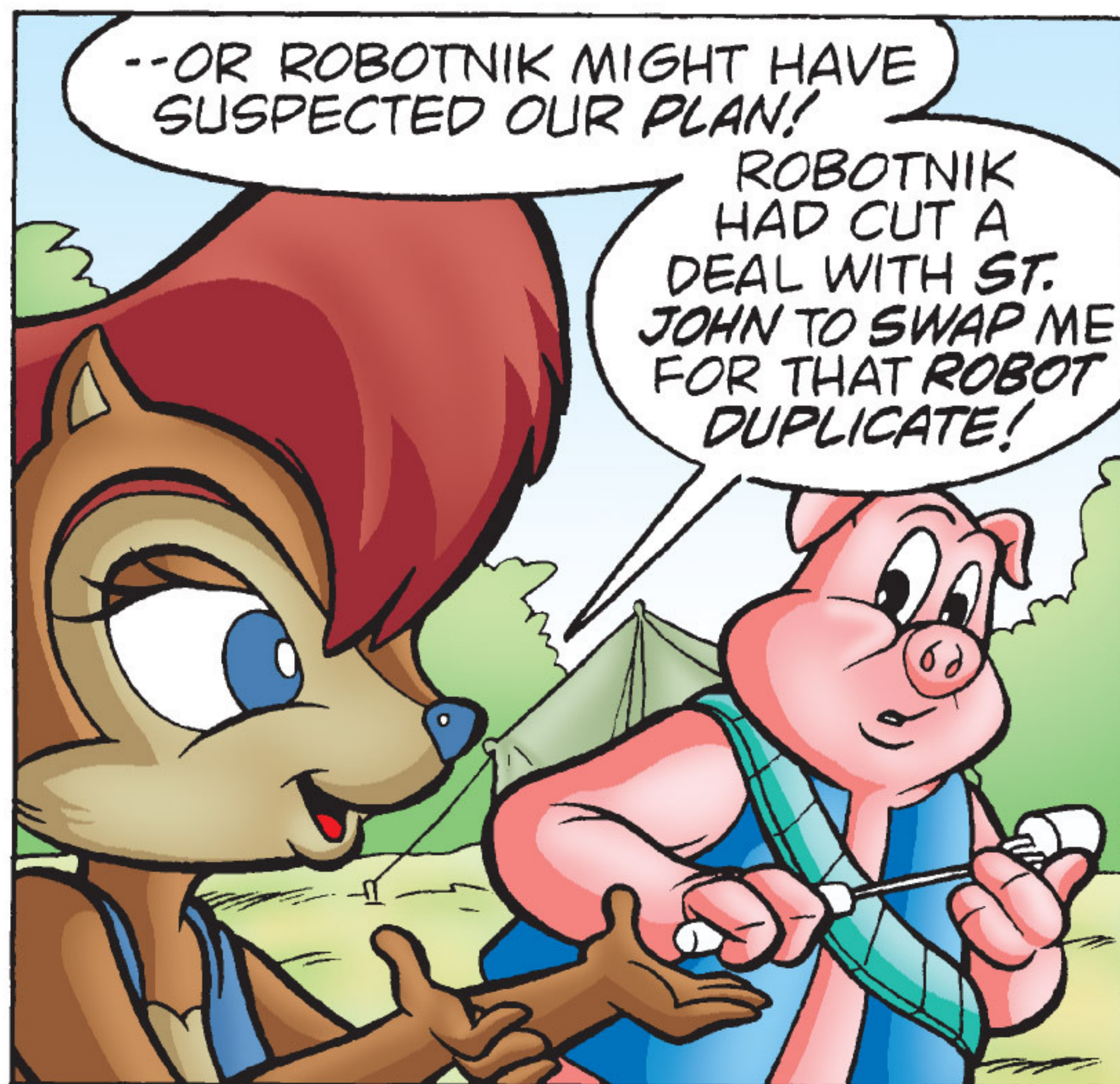
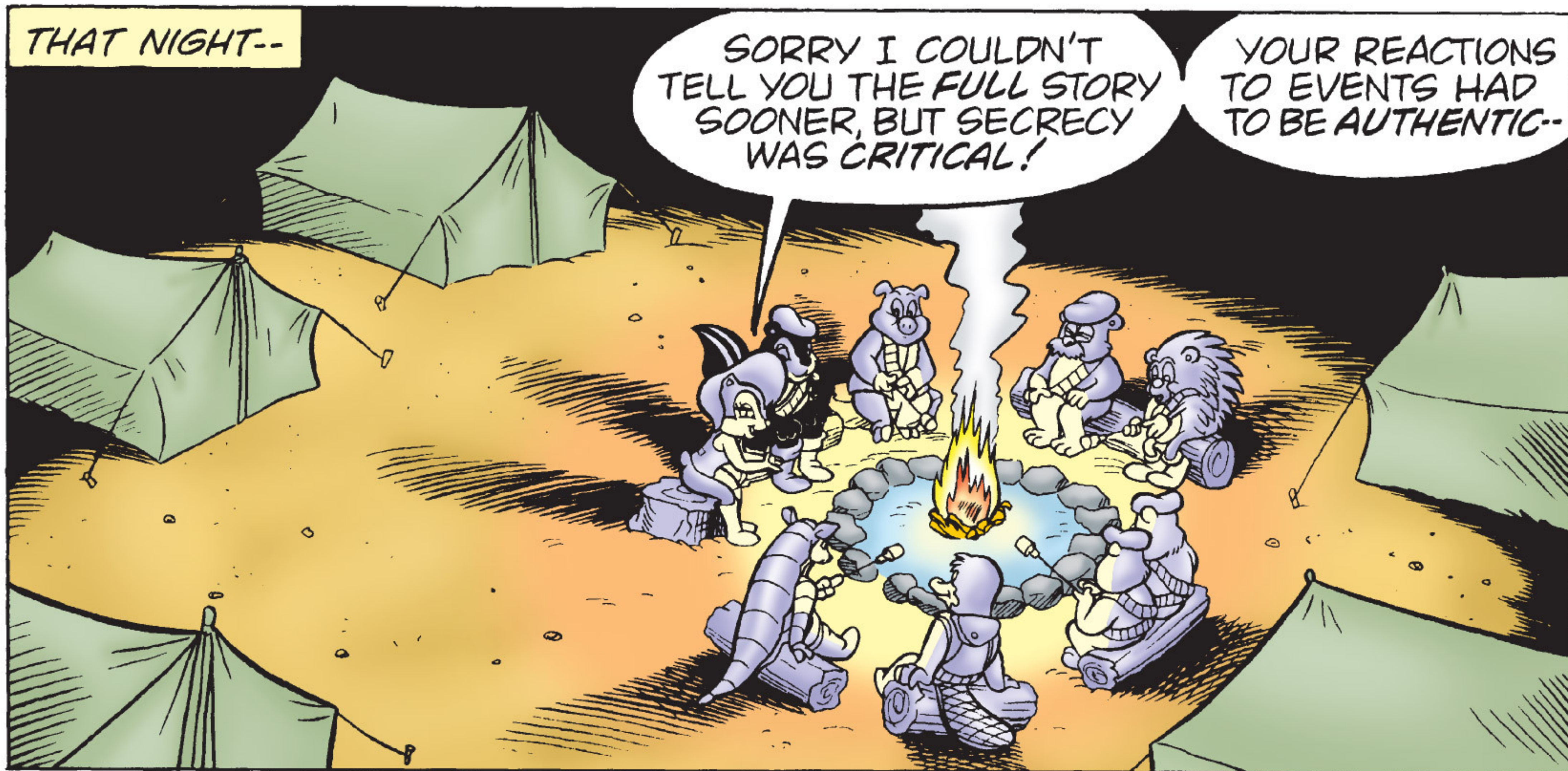




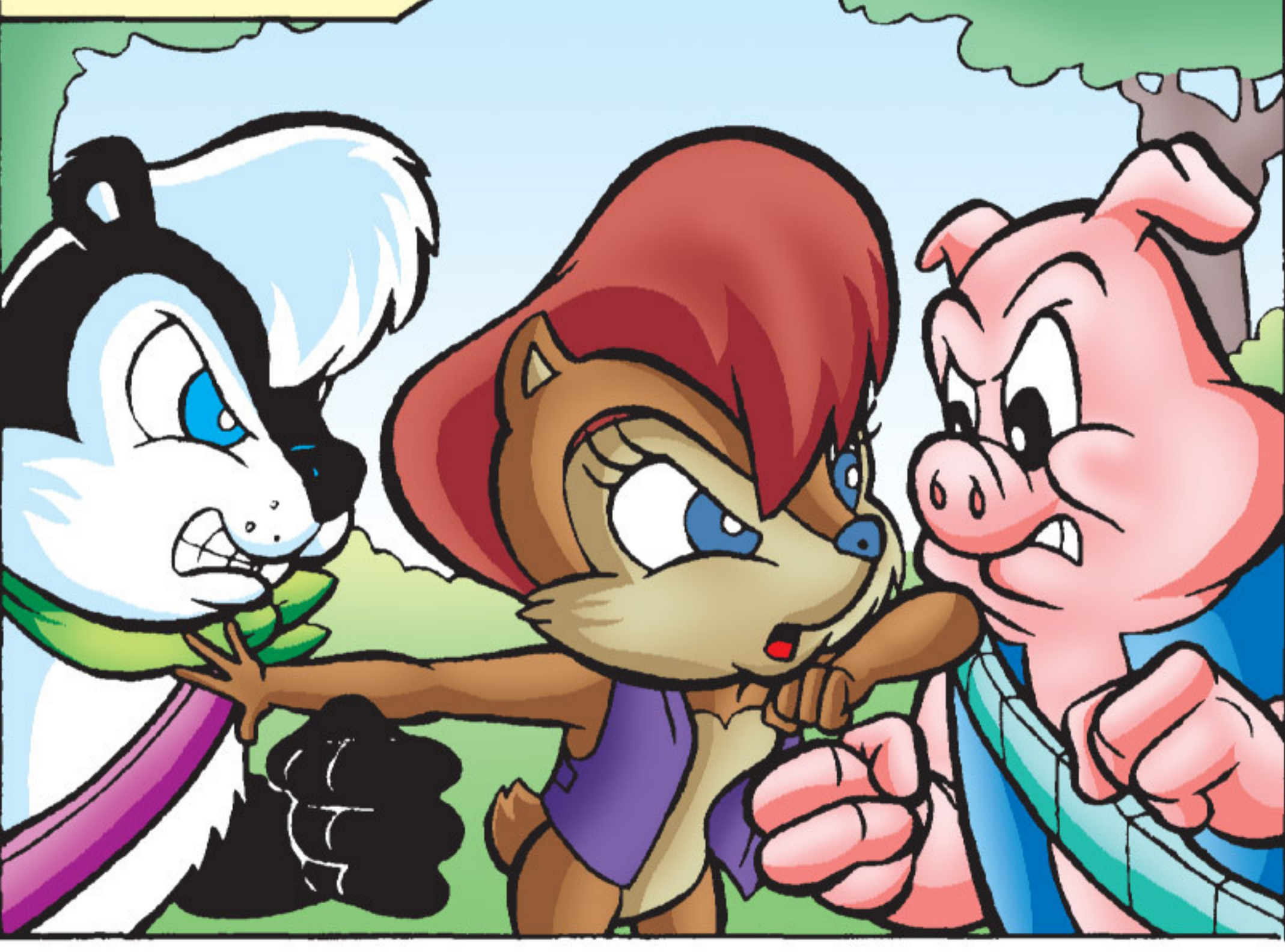




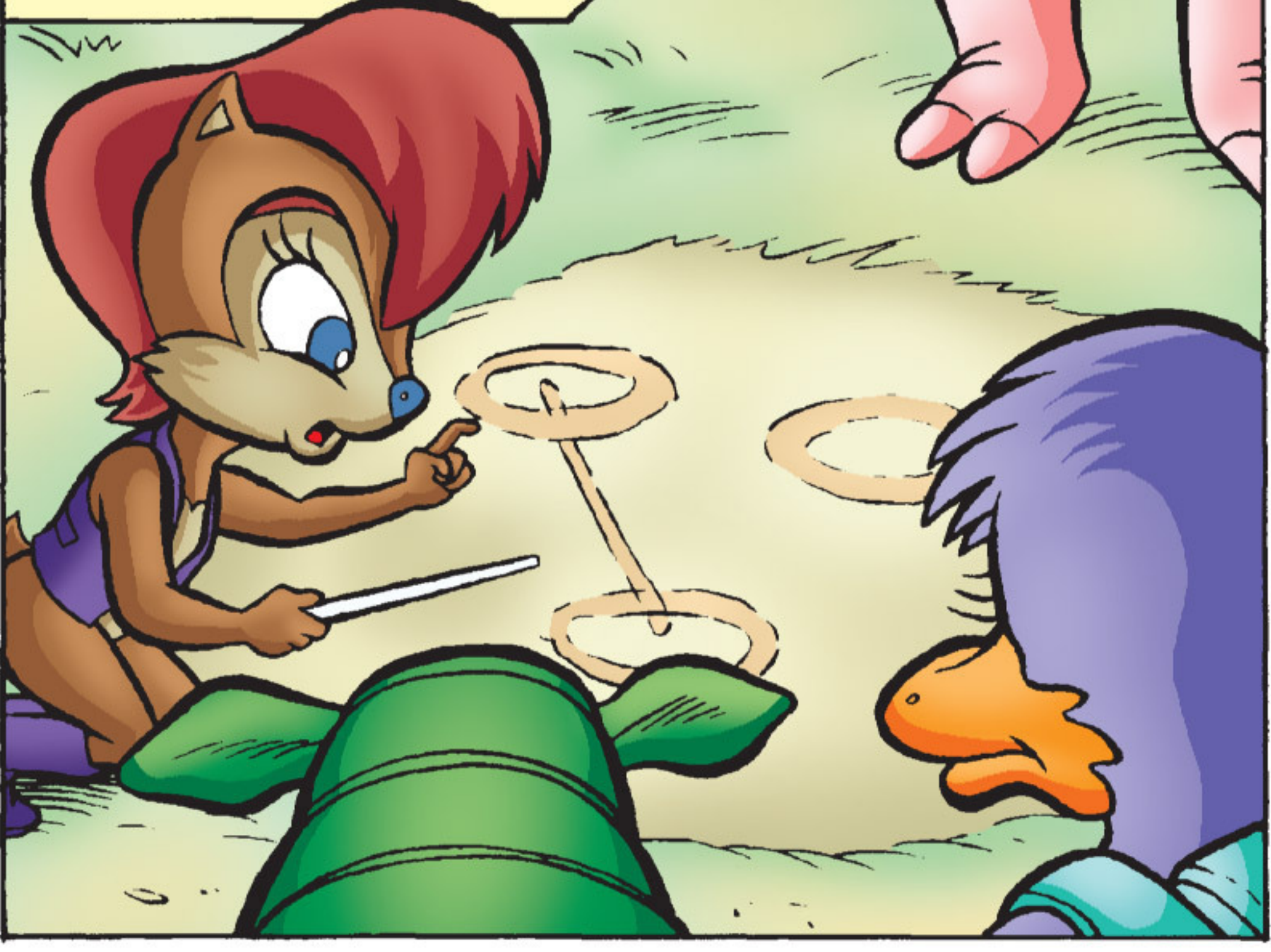




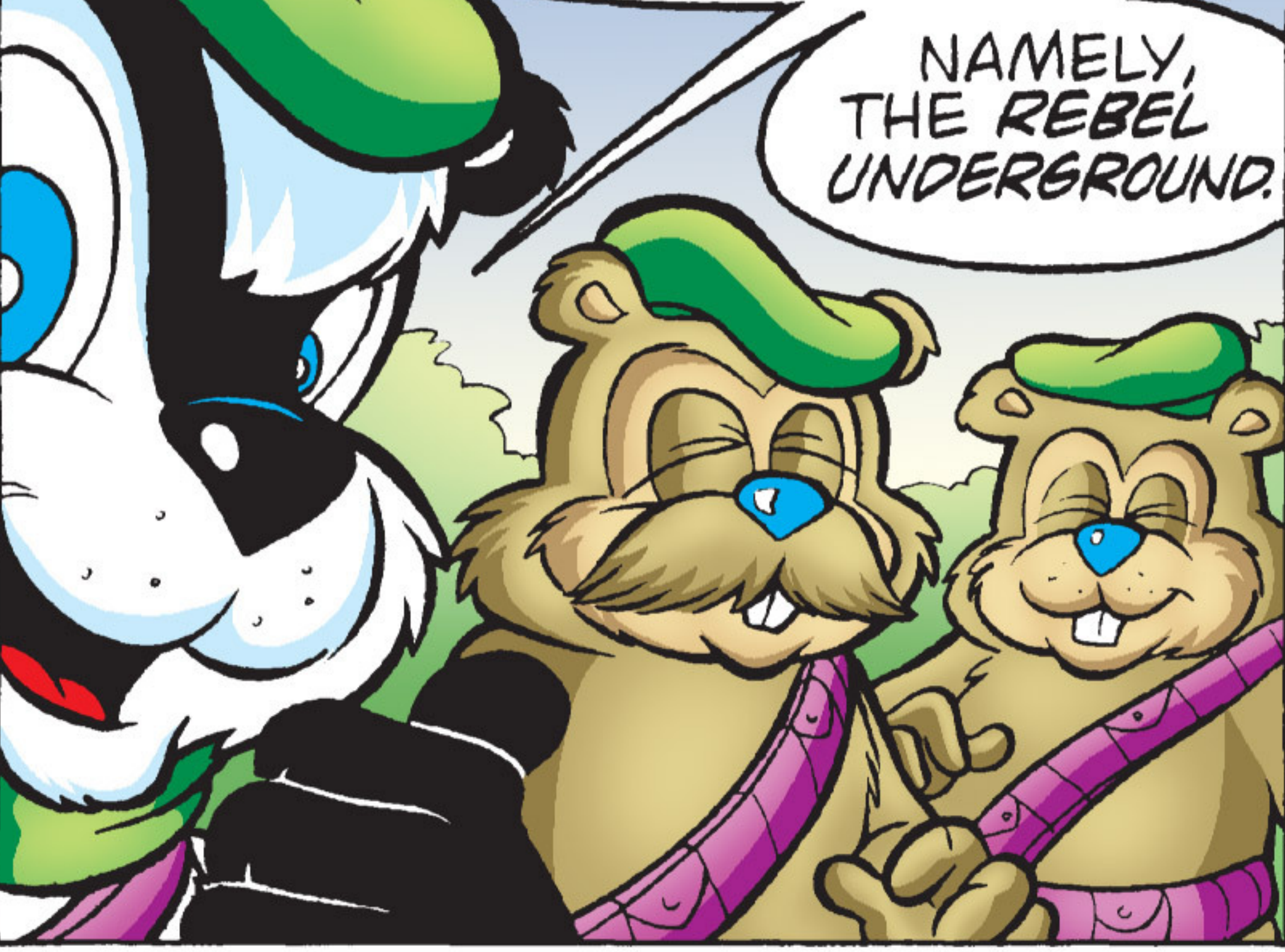
"WITH MY ROBOT DUPLICATE GIVEN FREE REIGN TO FULFILL ITS PROGRAMMING, ST. JOHN WAS ABLE TO UNCOVER THE NUTS AND BOLTS OF ROBOTNIK'S SCHEME --"



--INCLUDING THE ATTACKS ON THE NEXT TWO ENERGY SUBSTATIONS, WHICH WERE CLEVER DECOYS DEvised TO TEST THE LEADERSHIP SKILLS OF HIS CREATION!"

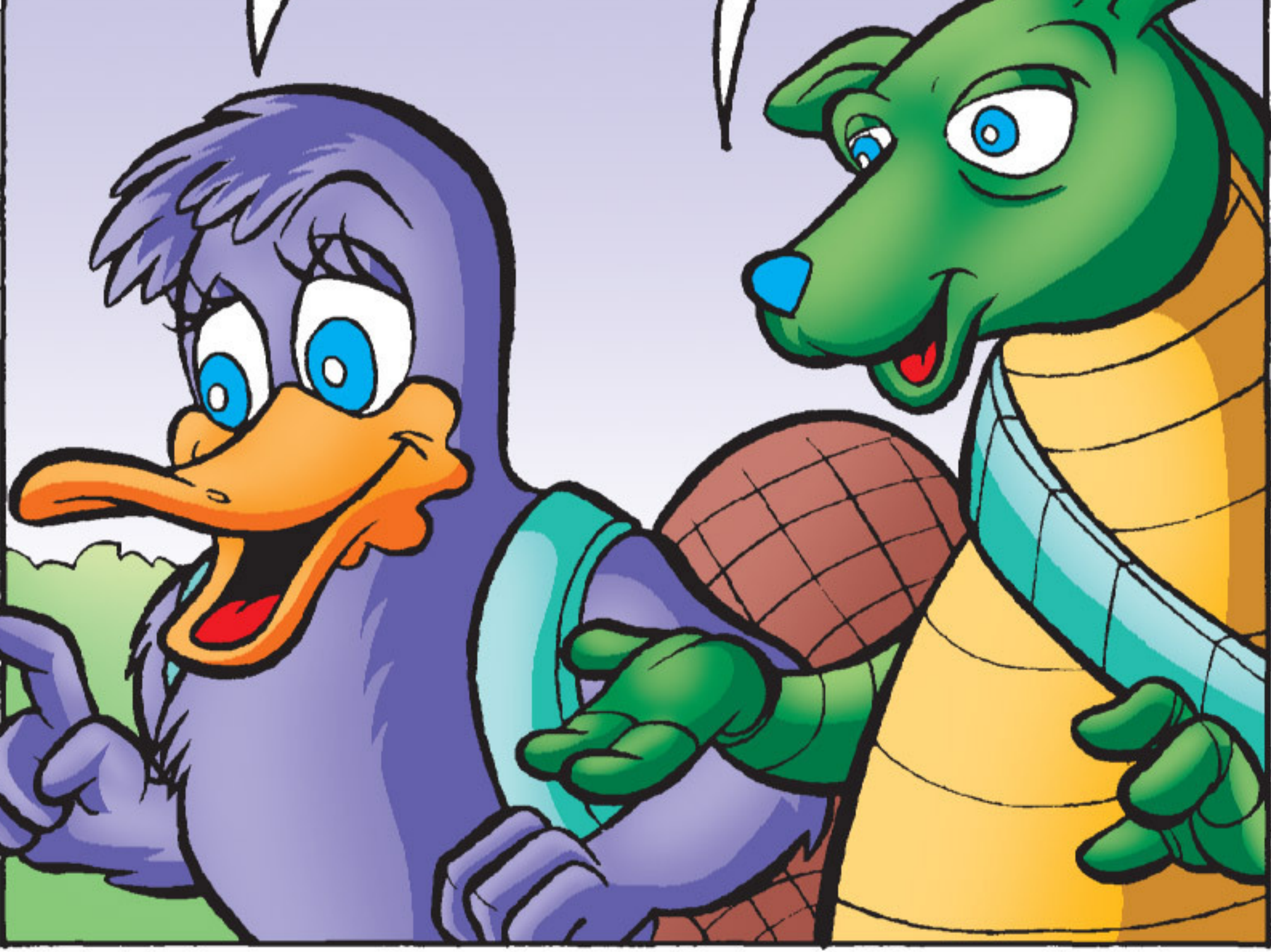


AND, JUST IN CASE ROBOTNIK HAD ANY OTHER SURPRISES IN STORE FOR US, WE HAD A SAFETY NET--



NAMELY, THE REBEL UNDERGROUND.

THAT'S HOW WE "DISAPPEARED" OFF THE ISLAND!



SHORTLY AFTER YOU LEFT--

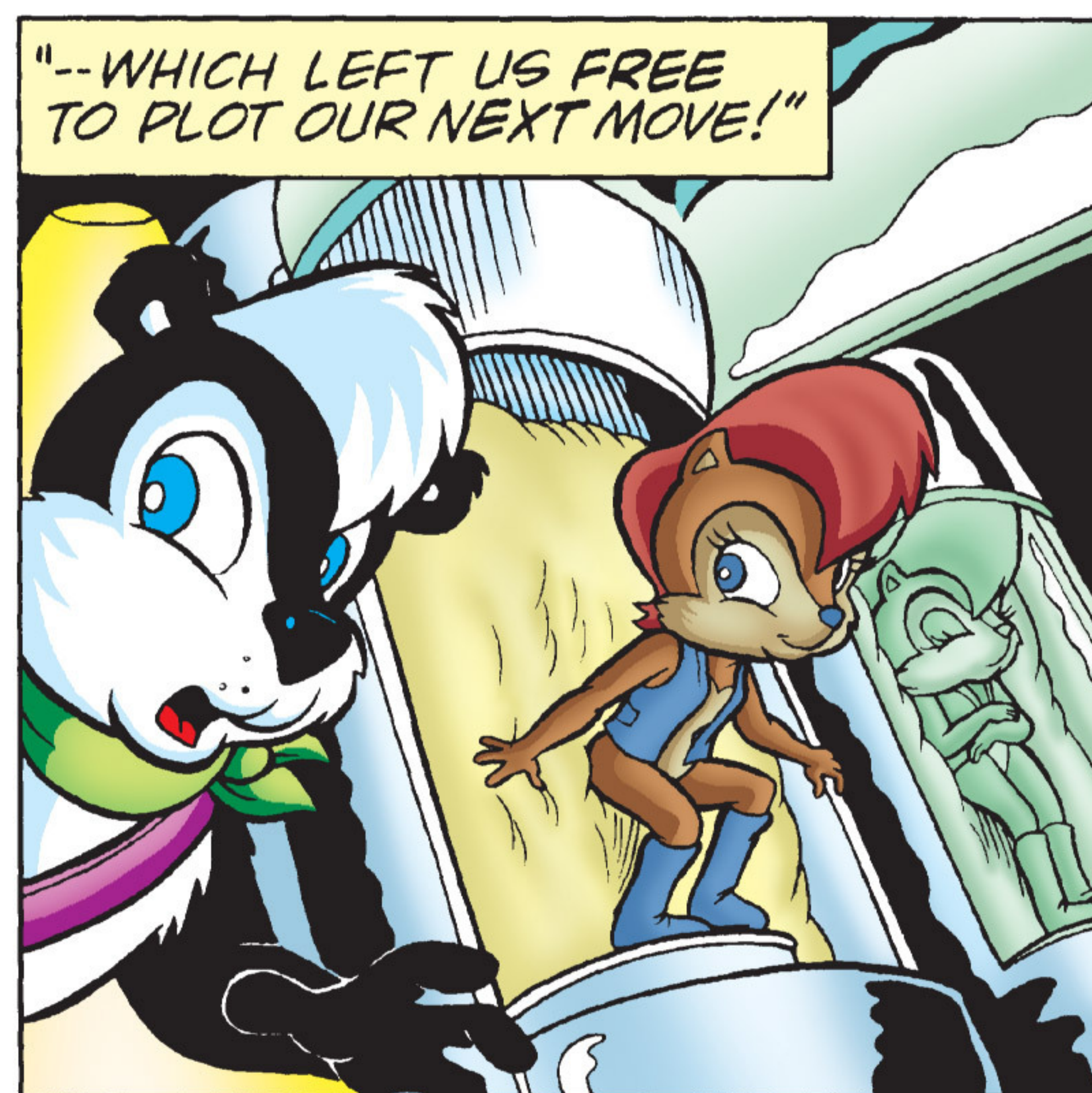
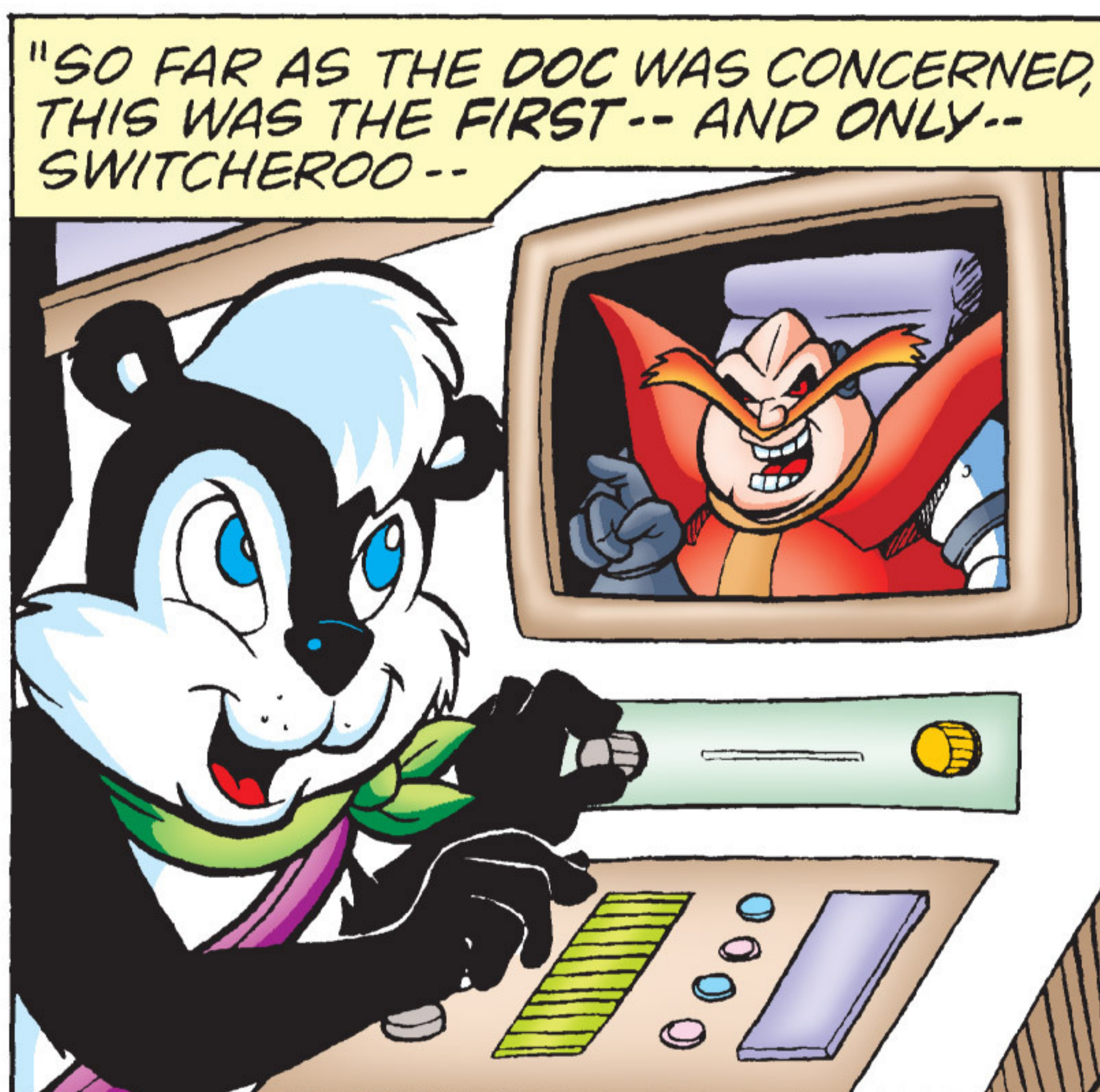
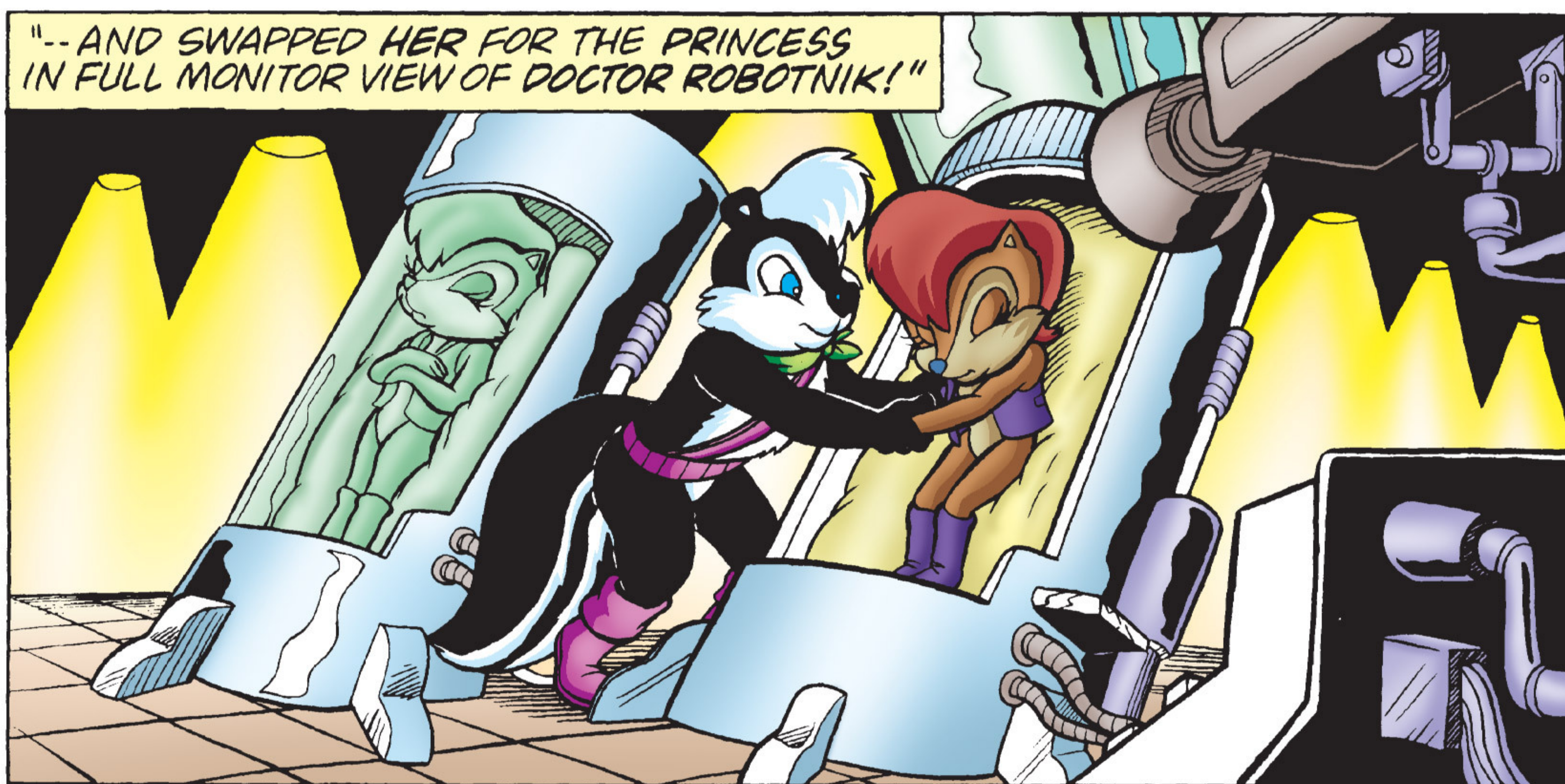
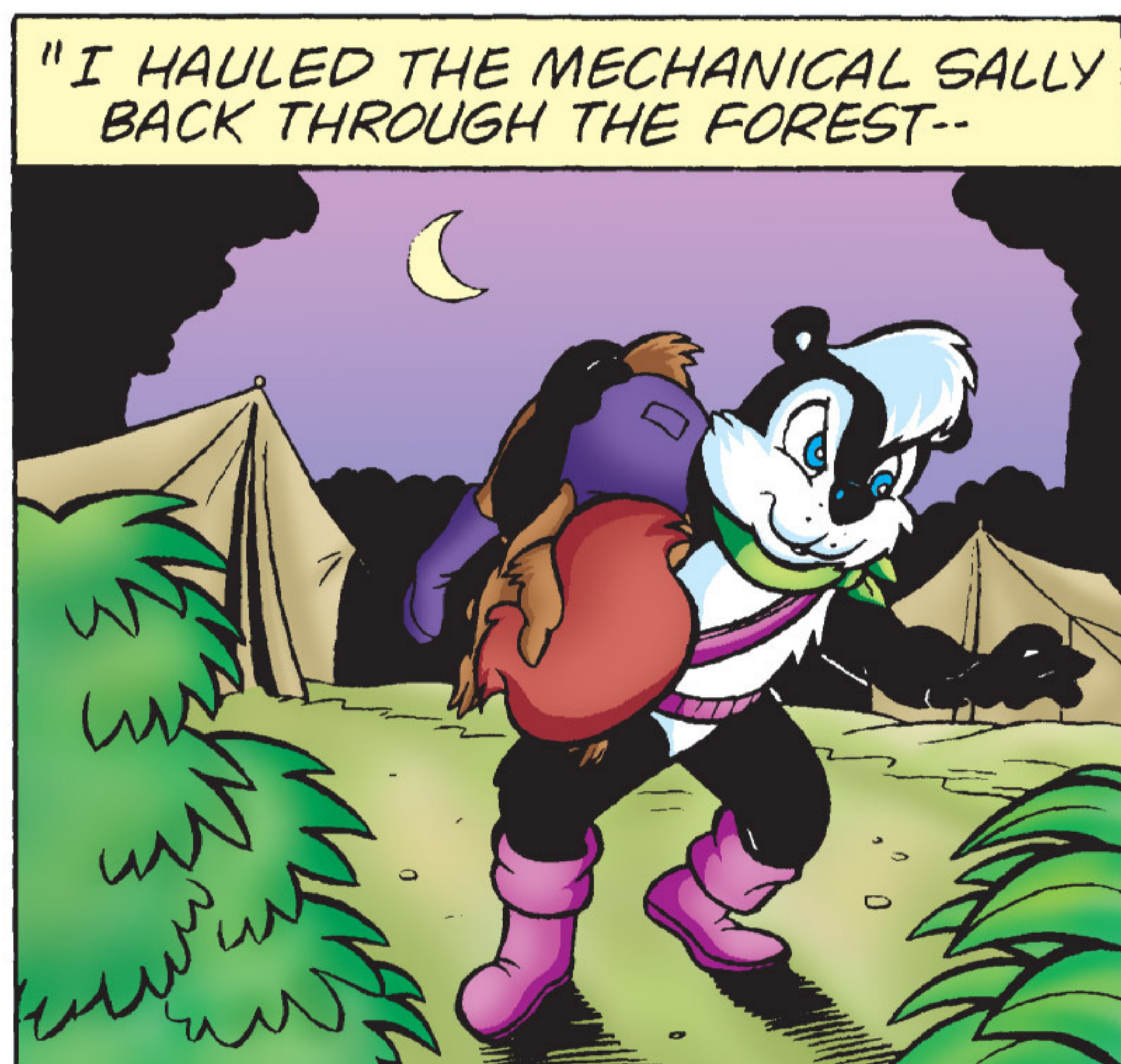
"--THEY ARRIVED ON THE SCENE!"



"THEN, AFTER SETTING MY BROKEN LEG--"



"--WE LITERALLY DROPPED OUT OF SIGHT!"



THAT PARTICULAR EXCHANGE CORRESPONDED WITH SUBTLE DIFFERENCES I NOTED, BUT FAILED TO HEED!

THE ROBOT ALWAYS REFERRED TO GEOFFREY BY HIS GIVEN NAME, WHILE THE REAL PRINCESS REFERRED TO HIM AS "MR. ST. JOHN".

"THE ROBOT ALSO WORE A DIFFERENT COLORED VEST!"*

*IT'S TRUE! CHECK PREVIOUS PAGES - EDITOR

"WITH THOSE EXCEPTIONS, THE MECHANICAL SALLY BEHAVED IN AN ENTIRELY APPROPRIATE MANNER!"

"SHE GAVE ORDERS--MADE HARD CHOICES--EVEN GRIEVED--JUST LIKE THE REAL THING!"

I KNOW, DYLAN!

IF ST. JOHN HADN'T TIPPED US OFF--

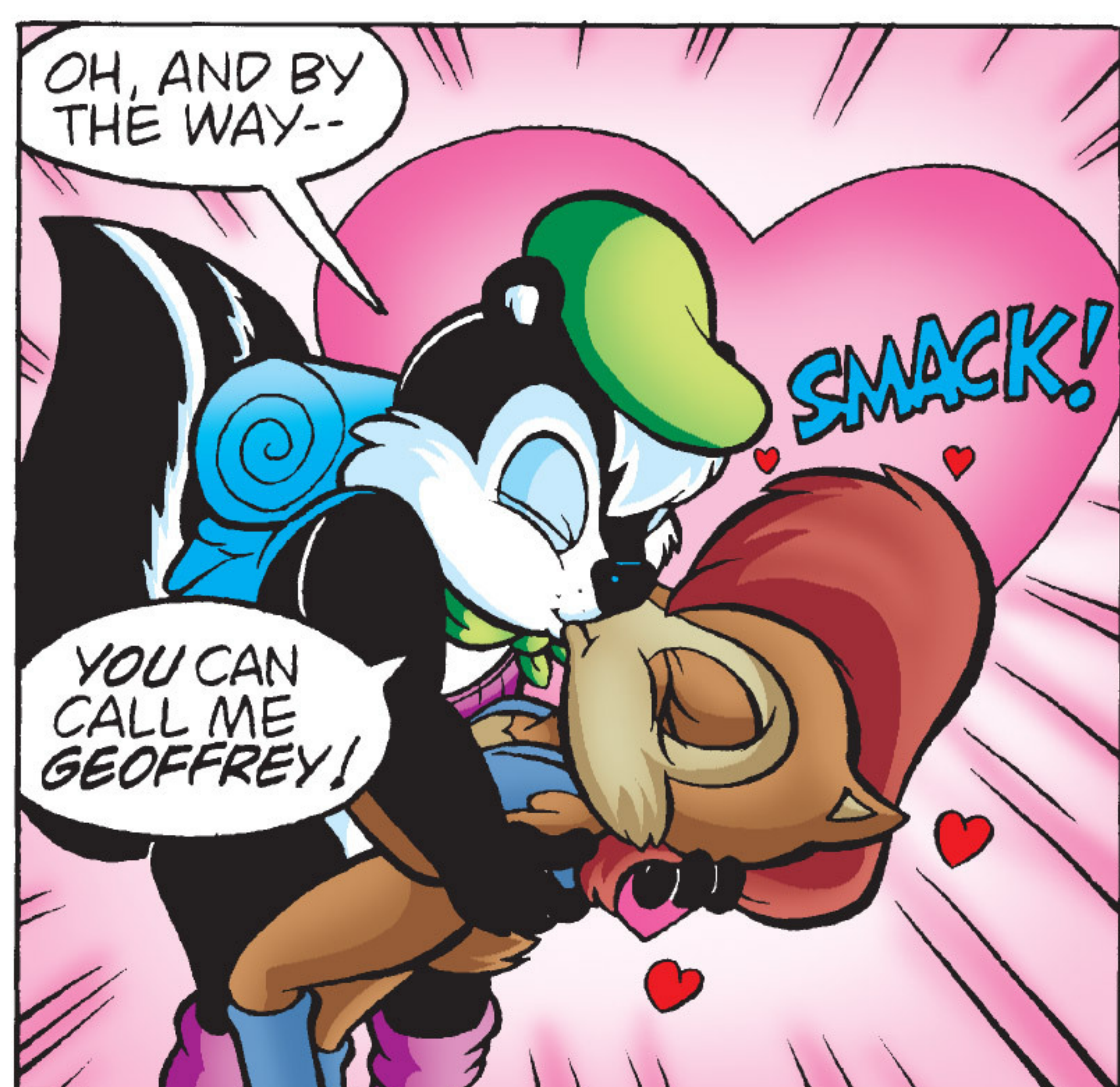
--ROBOTNIK'S PLAN WOULD HAVE SUCCEEDED!

THE ROBOT DUPLICATE WAS FLAWLESS! BUT NOW, WE PLANTED A SEED OF DOUBT IN ROBOTNIK'S MIND!

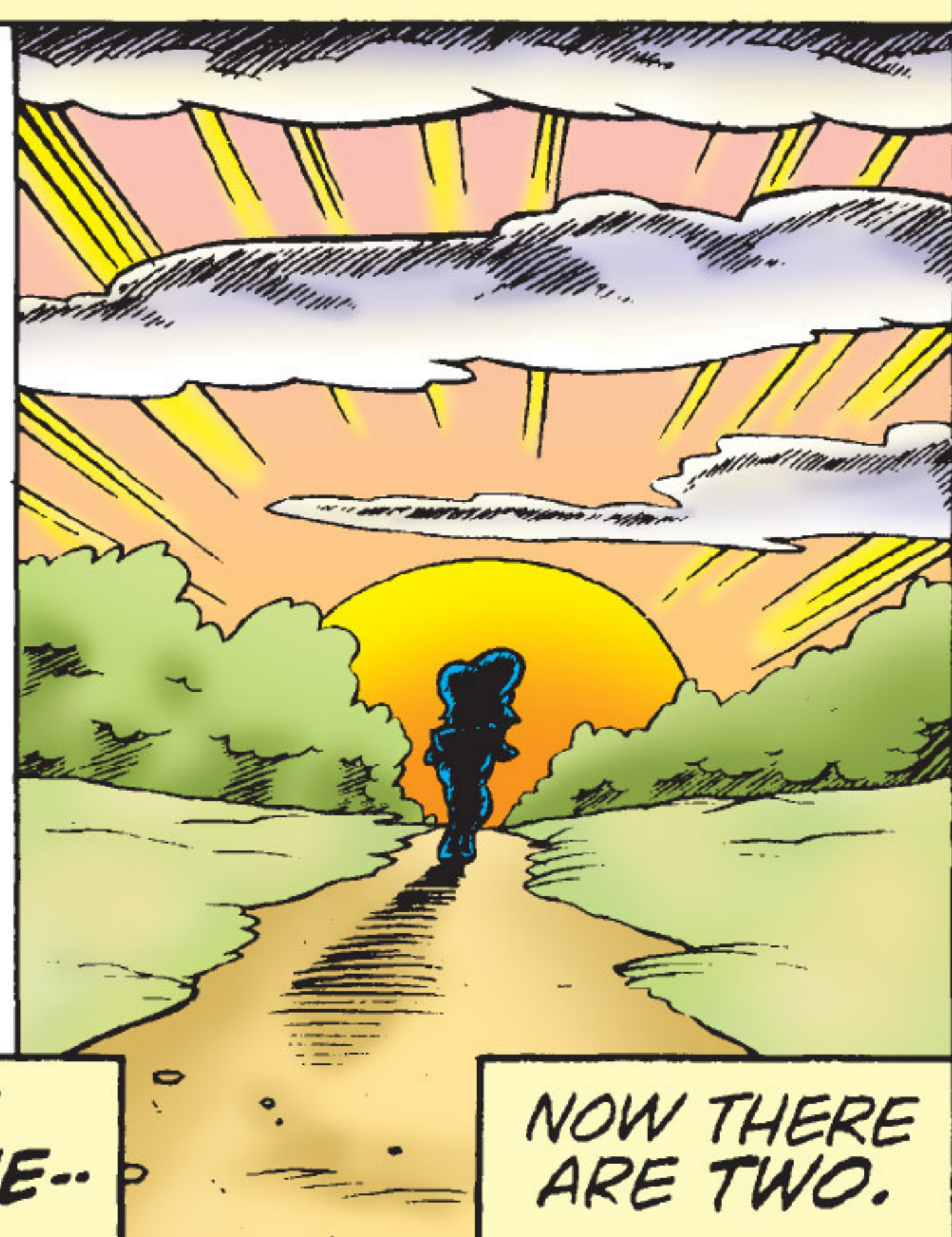
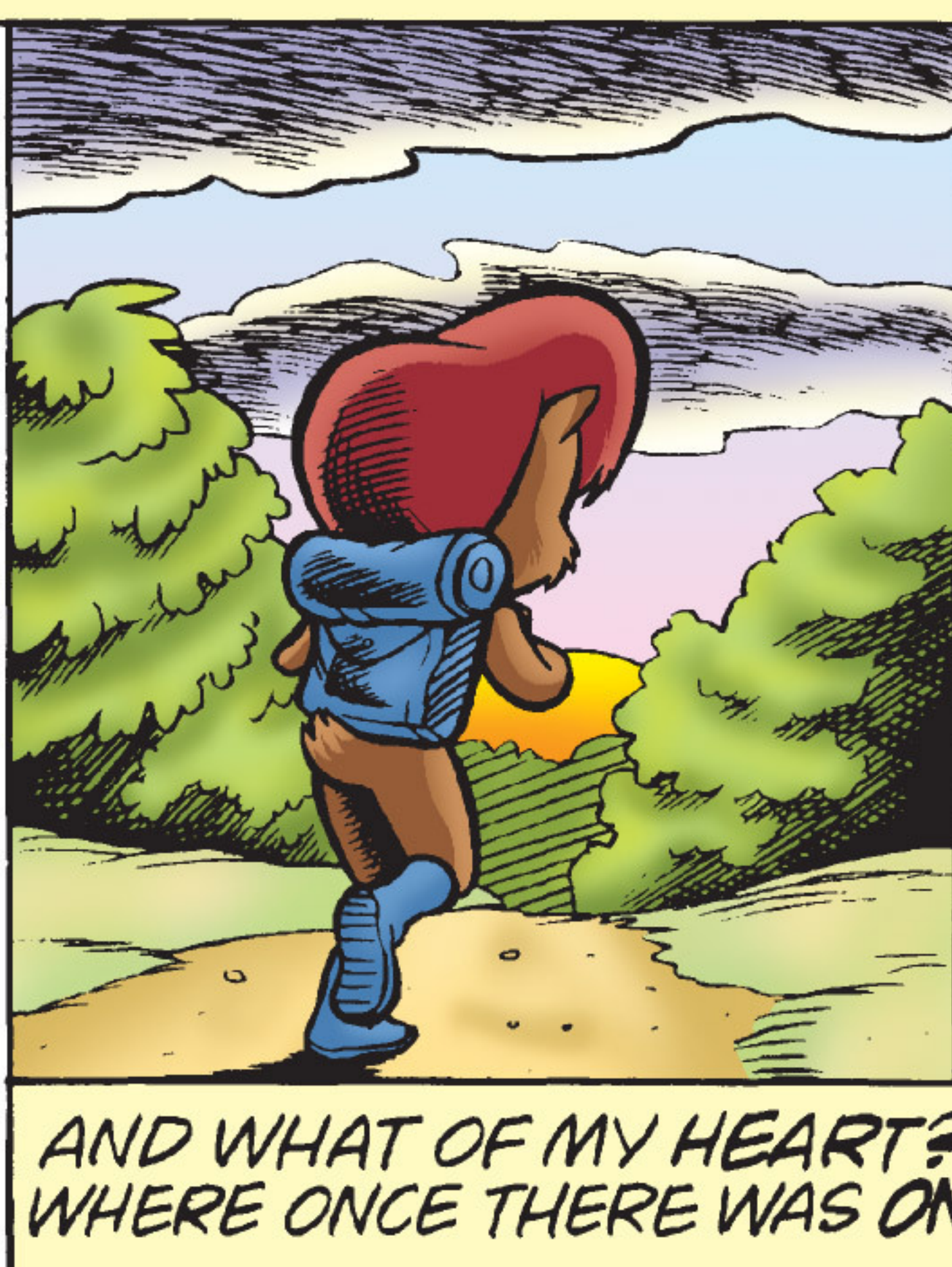
HE THINKS WE SAW THROUGH HIS PLAN, THANKS TO ST. JOHN!

FOR ALL OF OUR SAKES--

--WE MUST PRAY HE NEVER DISCOVERS THE ULTIMATE TRUTH!



WE LEFT FOR KNOTHOLE VILLAGE SOON THEREAFTER, THOUGH ROBOTNIK HAD NOT BEEN VANQUISHED. HE HAD BEEN DETERRED, WHICH MEANT MY OBLIGATIONS AS A FREEDOM FIGHTER TOOK PRECEDENCE OVER MORE PERSONAL CONCERNS.



AND WHAT OF MY HEART? WHERE ONCE THERE WAS ONE--

NOW THERE ARE TWO.

PRINCESS Sally

Sally Alicia Acorn was born during the **Great War**. She was raised as an only child to the “widower” **King Maximillian Acorn** and wouldn’t know the fate of her mother and older brother until years later. Sally was also raised and tutored by her royal mentor, **Julayla Chipmunk**, and royal nursemaid, **Rosie Woodchuck**.

After **Dr. Robotnik’s** takeover, the young Sally dedicated herself to the rescue of her father and her kingdom. Inspired by the **Original Freedom Fighters**, Sally rallied her own band of friends and led them in raids against **Robotropolis**. Despite her youth, Sally showed an uncanny ability to lead, strategize, and hold her ragtag team of would-be heroes together. Late in the **First Robotnik War**, Sally discovered a mysterious handheld device. The A.I. running it identified itself as **Nicole** and would become Sally’s mentor and friend after the passing of Julayla. As Sally led the **Freedom Fighters** to victory in the battle against Dr. Robotnik, she regained her family but faced a great deal of personal hardship. Her life of guerrilla warfare conflicted with the formalities of royalty. Torn between the life she had and the one she thought she wanted, Sally’s spirit was strained. The final blow came when her first love, **Sonic the Hedgehog**, appeared to first give his life for **Mobius** and then return from the dead. At her most confused, she broke up with Sonic to prevent further heartbreak for herself.

Eventually she recovered to her old self, chose her role as the team’s field leader and repaired her damaged friendships. Just as life returned to normal, Sally barely skirted death after the effects of the **Genesis Wave**. She used her second chance at life to sabotage the **Death Egg II’s World Roboticizer**. Her sacrifice saved Mobius, but turned her into one of **Dr. Eggman’s** robot minions.

PROFILE STATS:

First Appearance:

Sonic the Hedgehog #0

Abilities:

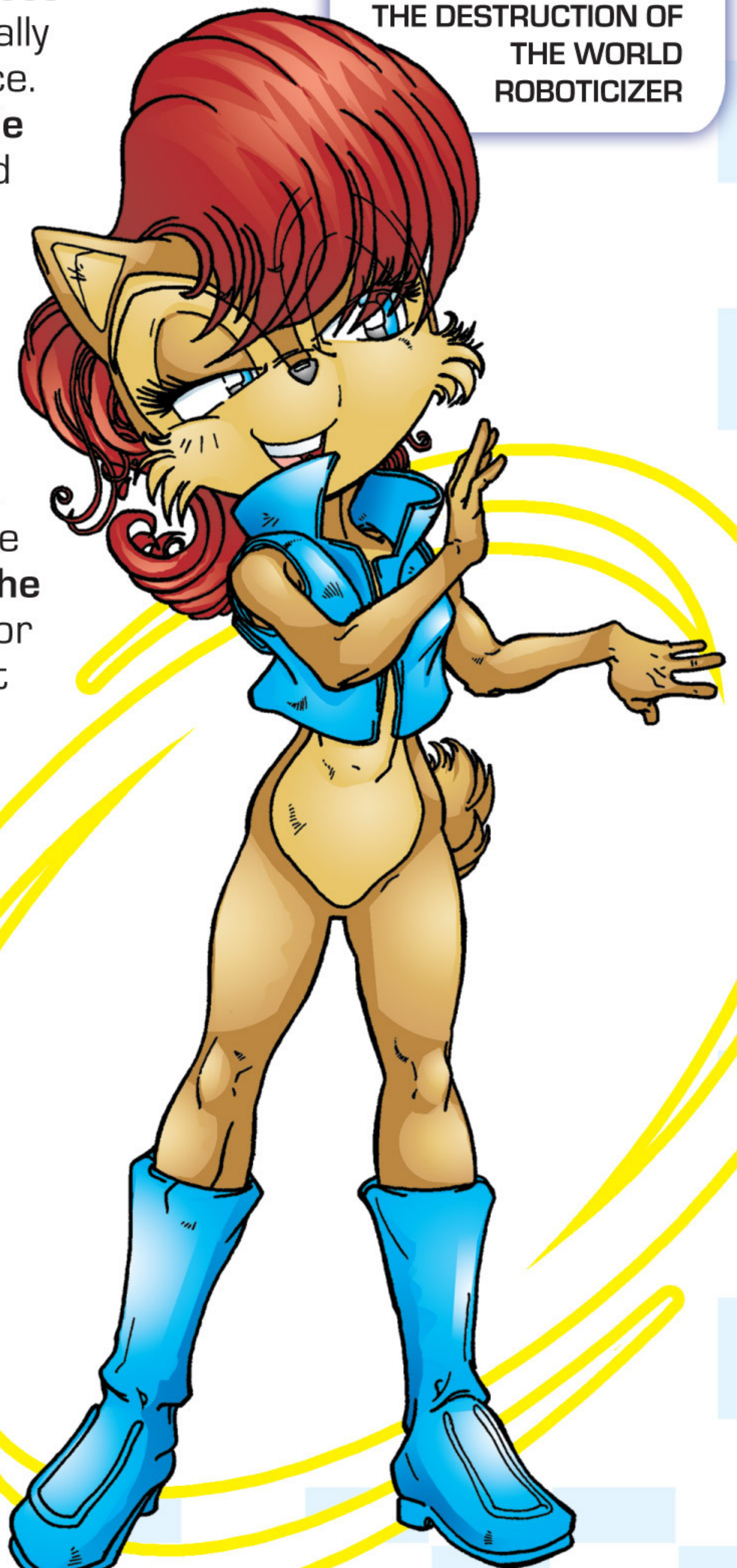
Agility – Able to perform gymnastic moves beyond average.

Versatility – Trained in combat, survival, diplomacy, computer skills.

Tactical skills – An accomplished and resourceful field leader.



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THE DESTRUCTION OF
THE WORLD
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GUEST STARRING:

PRINCESS
Sally



HOW
COULD
YOU--?!!

I THOUGHT
YOU WERE MY
FRIEND--

--AND YOU DON'T SEE
FIT TO TELL ME YOU WERE
GOING ON A MISSION TO FIND
A BROTHER I DIDN'T KNOW
I HAD?!!*

ANTOINE!!
HOW CAN I EVER
TRUST YOU
AGAIN?!

* KNUCKLES ARCHIVES
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IT WAS NOT
MY PLACE TO
TELL YOU!

"BUT SOMEONE ELSE
SHOULD'VE DONE SO!"

Ahhh,
SALLY!

I WAS
JUST ABOUT
TO SEND FOR
YOU!

NO!
I GUESS
IT
WASN'T!

YOU
MUST HAVE
READ MY MIND,
FATHER!

WE HAVE
TO TALK!



I CAN WELL IMAGINE OVER WHAT!

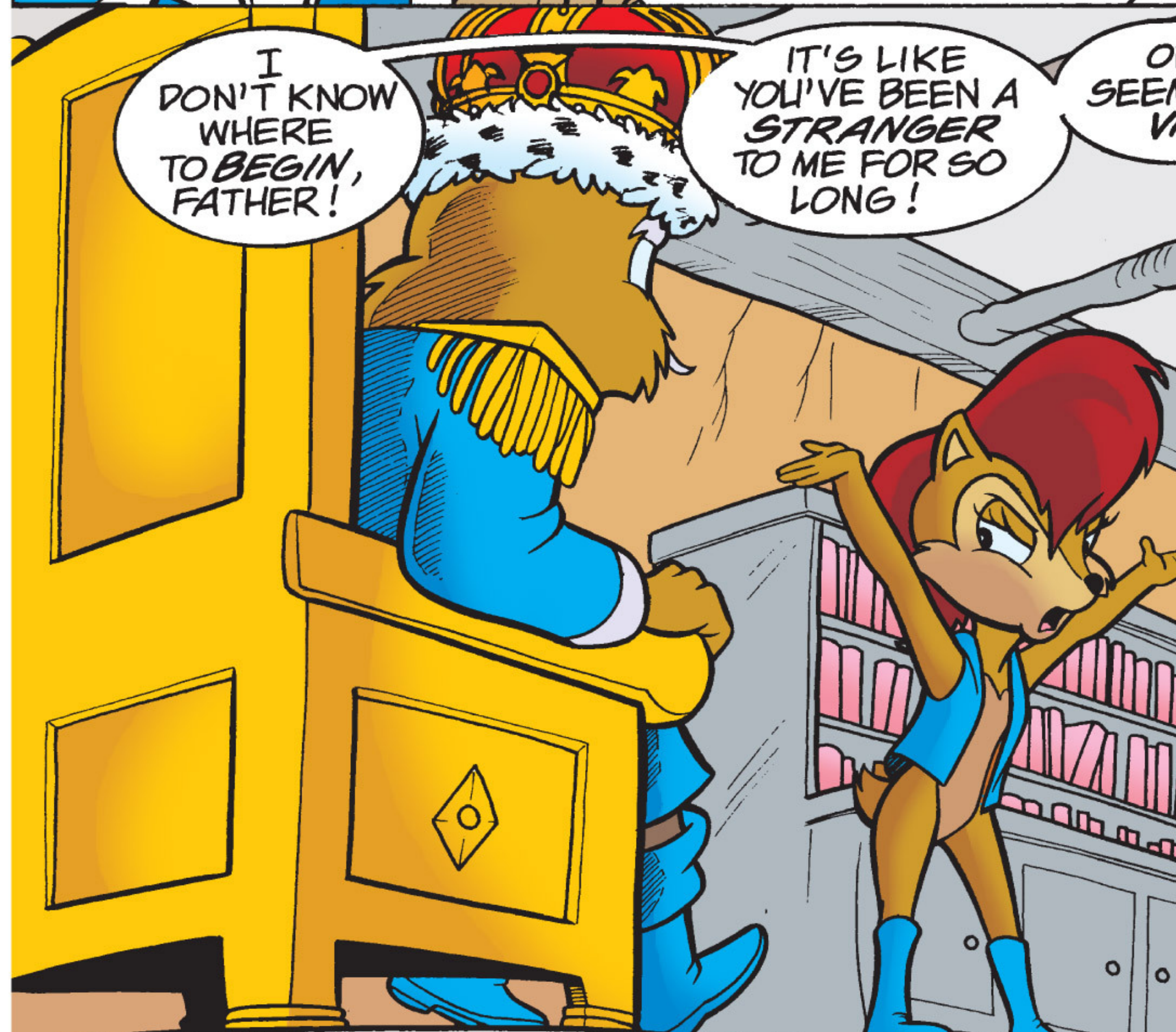
IT'LL HAVE TO WAIT, HOWEVER! WE MUST--

NO, FATHER! NOT THIS TIME! NOT UNTIL YOU'VE HEARD ME OUT!



VERY WELL!

SPEAK!



I DON'T KNOW WHERE TO BEGIN, FATHER!

IT'S LIKE YOU'VE BEEN A STRANGER TO ME FOR SO LONG!

ORDERS THAT SEEMED HARSH AND VINDICTIVE--*

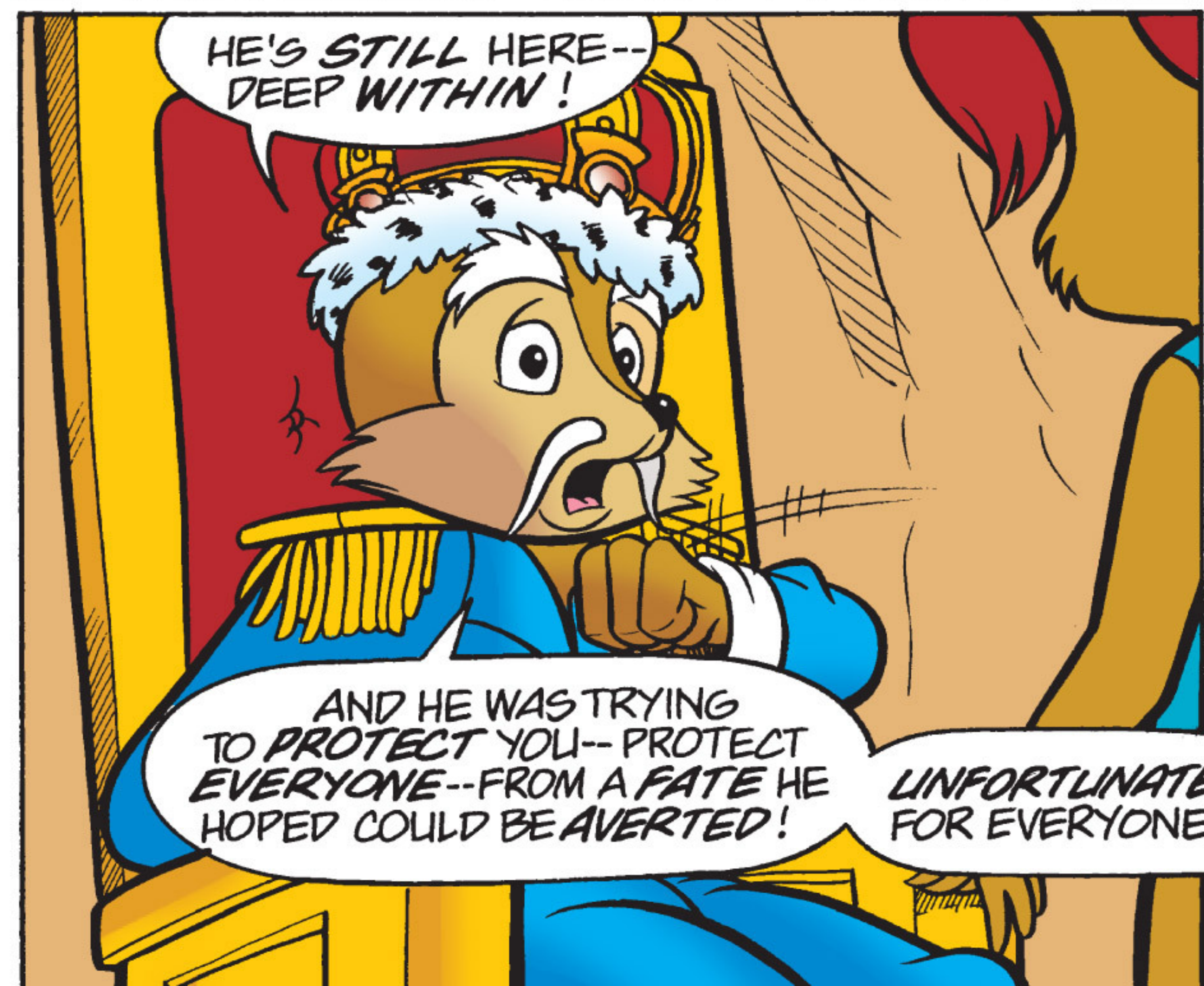
--DEMANDING THAT I MARRY ANTOINE--**

--AND NOW LEARNING YOU'VE KEPT MY OWN BROTHER A SECRET FROM ME!

WHATEVER HAPPENED TO THE LOVING, CARING FATHER I USED TO KNOW?



* LIKE DISMANTLING THE ROBBIANS IN SONIC ARCHIVES VOL. 15
** IN SONIC ARCHIVES VOL. 16 -- ED.

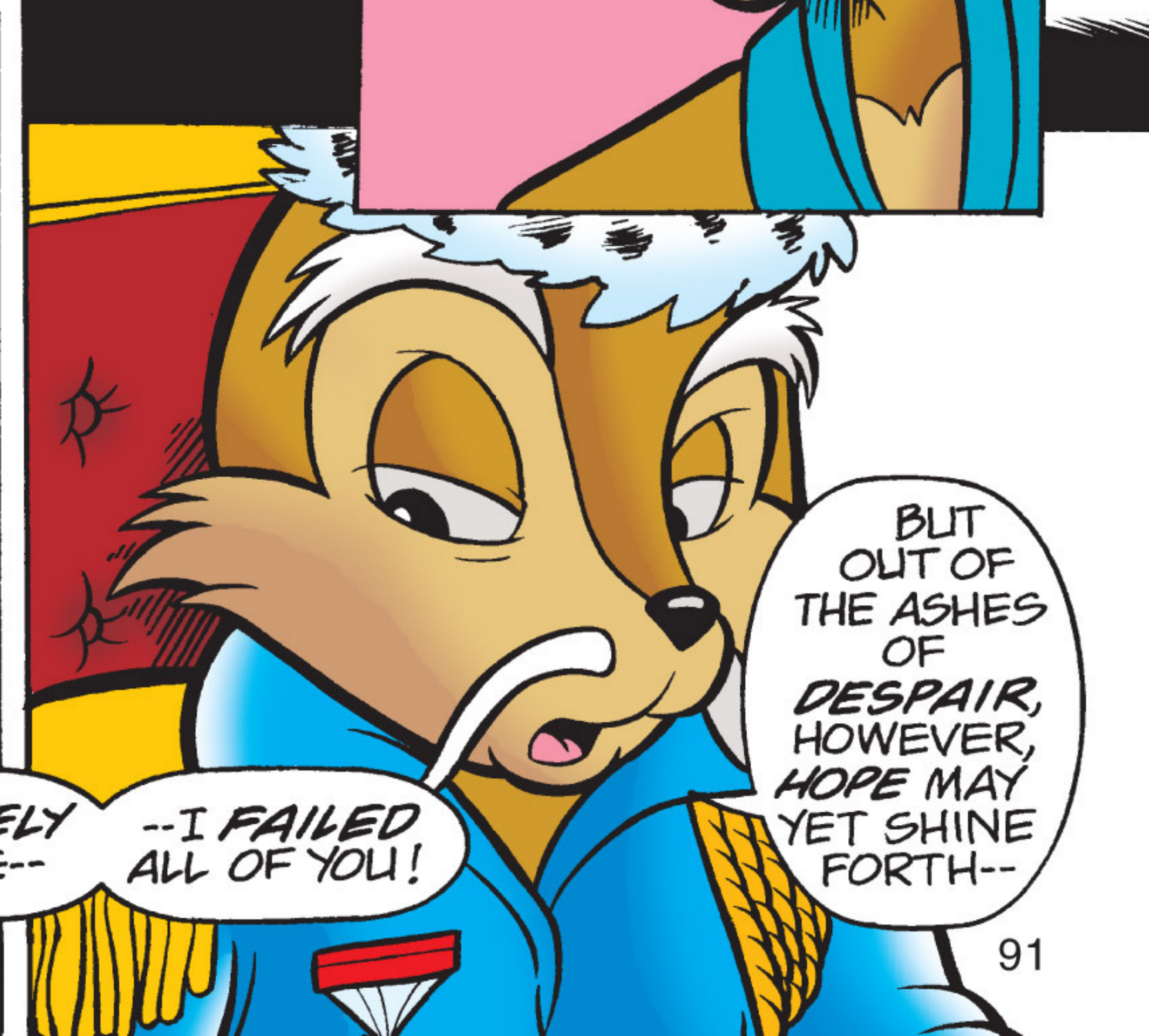


HE'S STILL HERE-- DEEP WITHIN!

AND HE WAS TRYING TO PROTECT YOU-- PROTECT EVERYONE--FROM A FATE HE HOPED COULD BE AVERTED!

UNFORTUNATELY FOR EVERYONE--

--I FAILED ALL OF YOU!



BUT OUT OF THE ASHES OF DESPAIR, HOWEVER, HOPE MAY YET SHINE FORTH--

"-- AND I BELIEVE THE **SOURCE**
CAN BE FOUND ON THE
FLOATING ISLAND!"

CATWEAZLE!
YOU MANGY OLD
BIRD!

I GUESS I
HAVE BEEN HANGING
IN ECHIDNAOPOLIS
MORE THAN I
SHOULD--

--CONSIDERING I
AM THE GUARDIAN
OF THE FLOATING
ISLAND!

I HAVEN'T
SEEN YOU AROUND
HERE IN QUITE
SOME TIME!

I THOUGHT
YOU'D GONE CITY
SLICKER ON
ME!

WHY?
DOES ANYONE HAVE
A COMPLAINT
ABOUT IT?

KNUCKLES™ IN

My Special
Friend

Guest Starring...
PRINCESS
Sally

YOU MEAN ABOUT THE DINGOES *PARTYING* UNTIL DAWN--
ECHIDNA DEVELOPERS *BUILDING*
IN THE NAME OF PROGRESS--

--AND OVERLANDERS
FIGHTING OVER US
AS IF WE WERE SOME
TROPHY?

WHAT'S TO
COMPLAIN ABOUT?
THIS IS PARADISE,
REMEMBER?

VER-RY
FUNNY!

I'D RATHER DEAL
WITH DISRUPTIVE DINGOES
THAN FAMILY PROBLEMS
ANY DAY!

FAMILY
PROBLEMS, EH? SAY
NO MORE!

I'VE AN UNCLE WHO
CAN NEVER GET HIS
LAZY A--

CATWEAZLE!

I'M NOT
THE ONE WITH
THE PROBLEMS!
THEY ARE!

I ONLY HAVE
TO *DEAL* WITH
THEM!

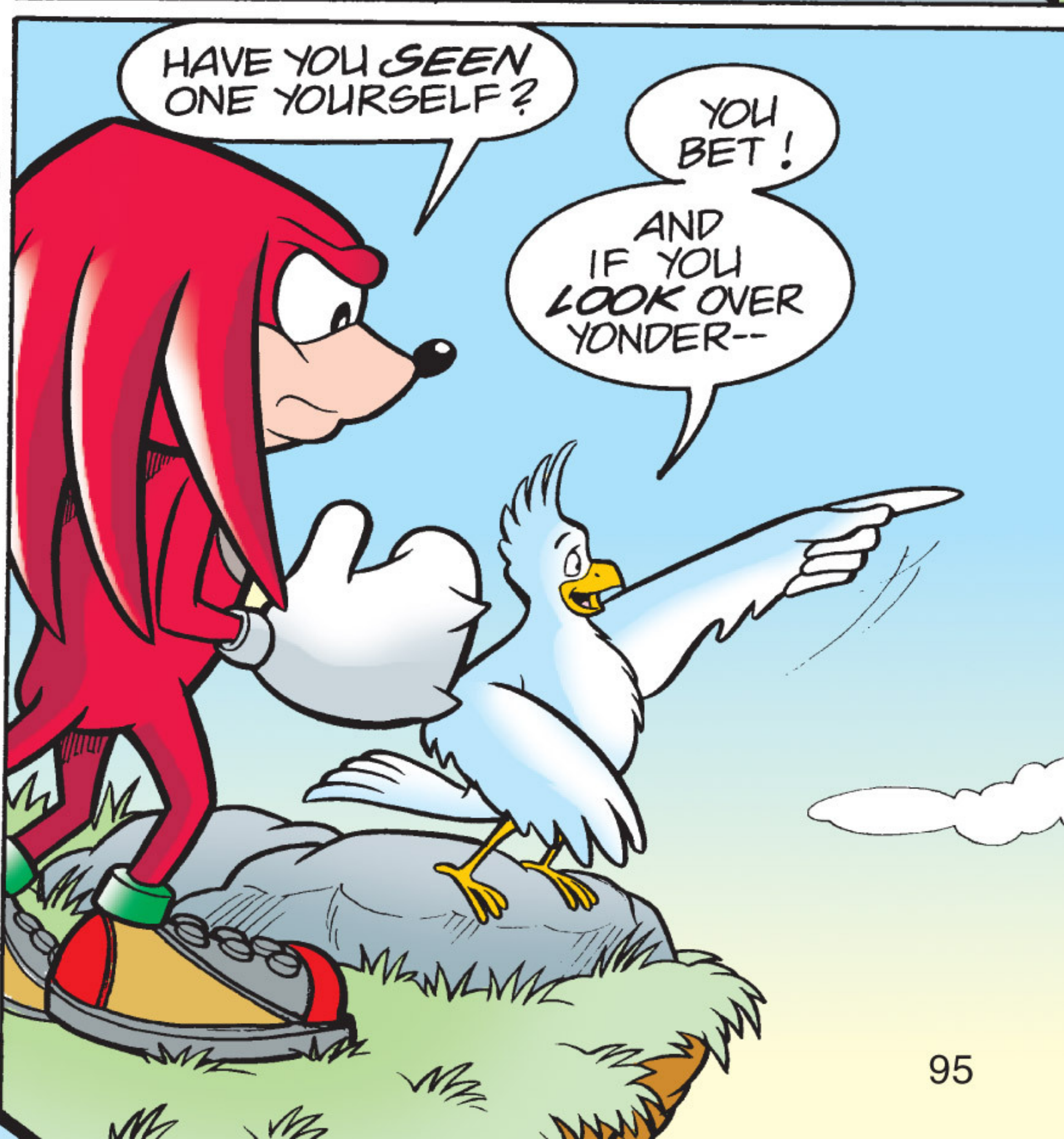
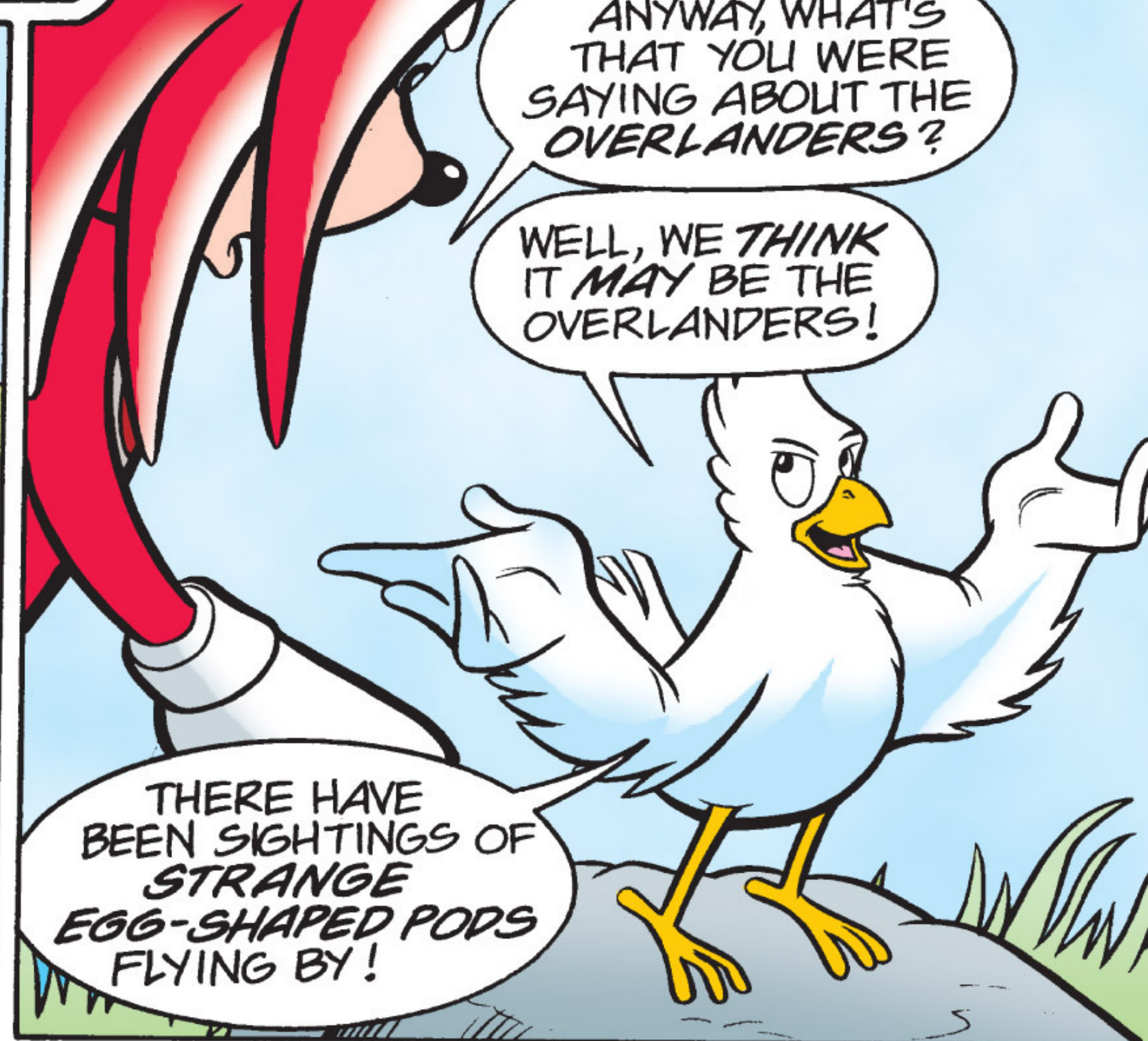
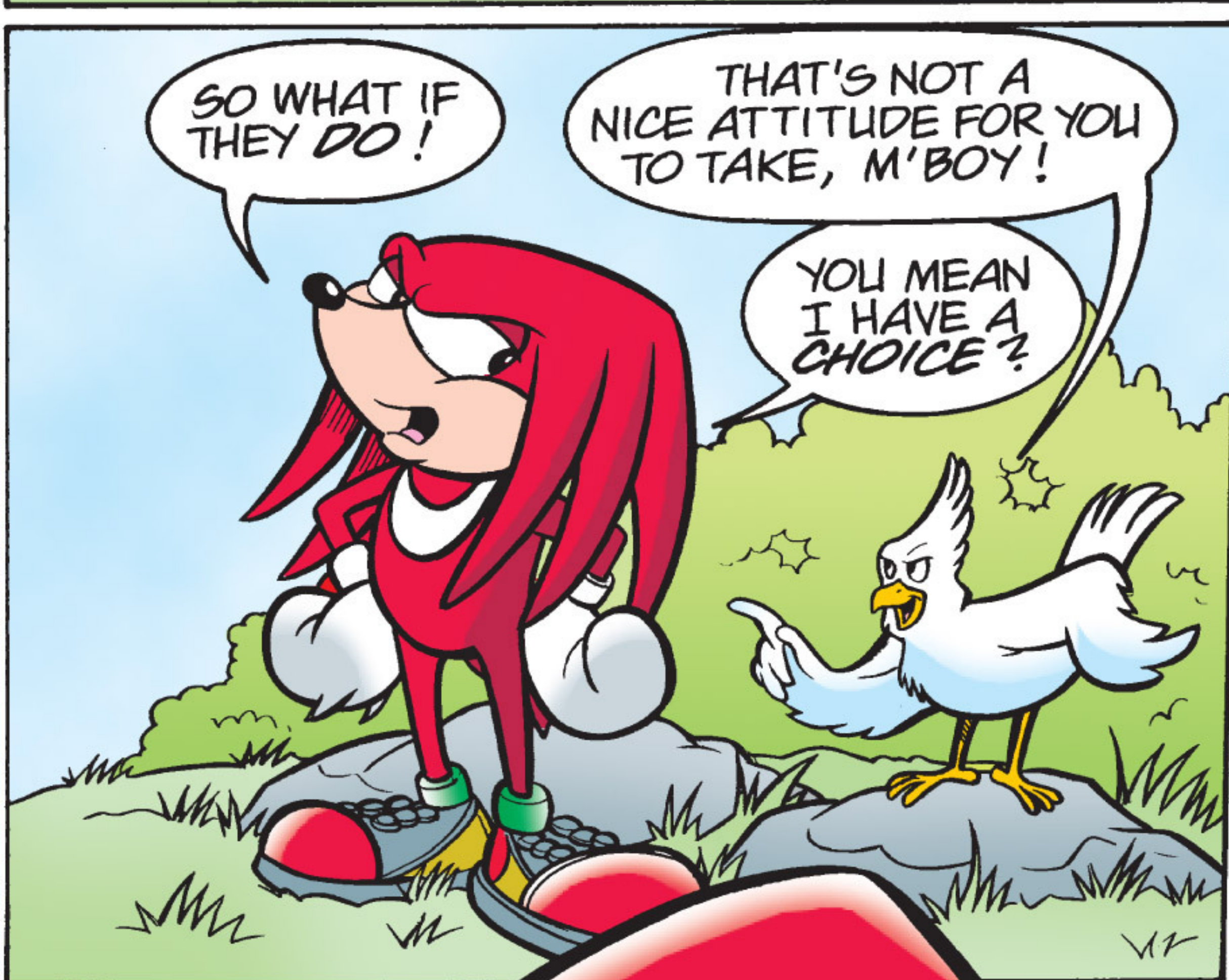
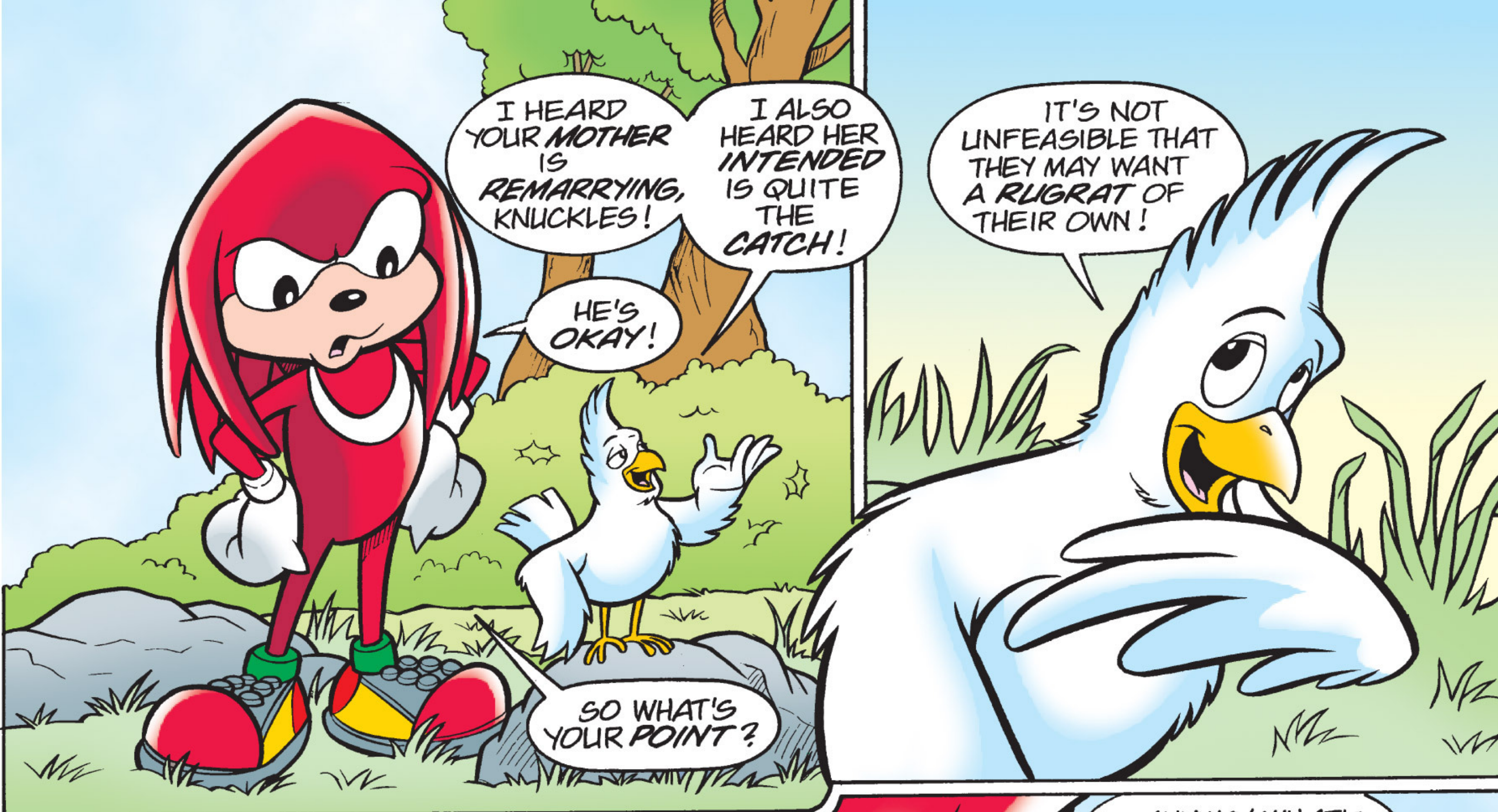
YOU HAVEN'T DEALT
WITH ANYONE UNTIL YOU'VE
DEALT WITH MY SISTER,
EGGMUFFIN!

NOW
THERE'S
A REAL
SHREW!

I HAVEN'T ANY *BROTHERS*
OR *SISTERS* TO GET ME
AGGRAVATED!

YOU MEAN,
YET!

COME
AGAIN?



"--THERE'S ONE *NOW*!"

I FEEL *AWFUL*, NICOLE!
I SHOULD *NEVER* HAVE
DOUBTED MY FATHER!

THE KING'S EXPERIENCES WITH TEMPORAL
ANOMALIES WHILE TRAPPED IN THE VOID
WOULD GO A LONG WAY TOWARDS
EXPLAINING HIS UNUSUAL BEHAVIOR!

TAKE HIS ORDERS TO
DISMANTLE THE
ROBOTICIZED MOBIAN
CITIZENRY AS AN
EXAMPLE!

I ALREADY
HAVE!

FROM HIS POINT-
OF-VIEW, MY FATHER SAW
A POTENTIALLY *FATAL*
PROBLEM AND OFFERED UP
AN ARGUABLY *PRAGMATIC*
SOLUTION!

HE *KNEW* ROBOTNIK-
MACH 2 WOULD USE THEM
AGAINST US AND TRIED
TO *PREVENT* THAT!

AND WERE
I HIM, AND IF
I KNEW WHAT
HE *KNEW*--

--AT THIS MOMENT,
I'M NOT SO SURE I
WOULDN'T HAVE DONE
THE *SAME* THING!

AT THIS MOMENT,
SALLY, THE THING
TO DO NOW IS
ACTIVATE THE
BEACON
SIGNAL --

"--ALLOWING THOSE WHO, ACCORDING TO THE KING, SAFEGUARD THE FLOATING ISLAND TO DISTINGUISH US AS A FRIEND INSTEAD OF A FOE!"

BEEP!
BEEP!

WHAT DO YOU MAKE OF THAT, THUNDERHAWK?

DESPITE THE NATURE OF THE APPROACHING AIRCRAFT, THAT IS THE ROYAL IDENTIFICATION SIGNAL WE'RE RECEIVING!

RECOMMENDATION?

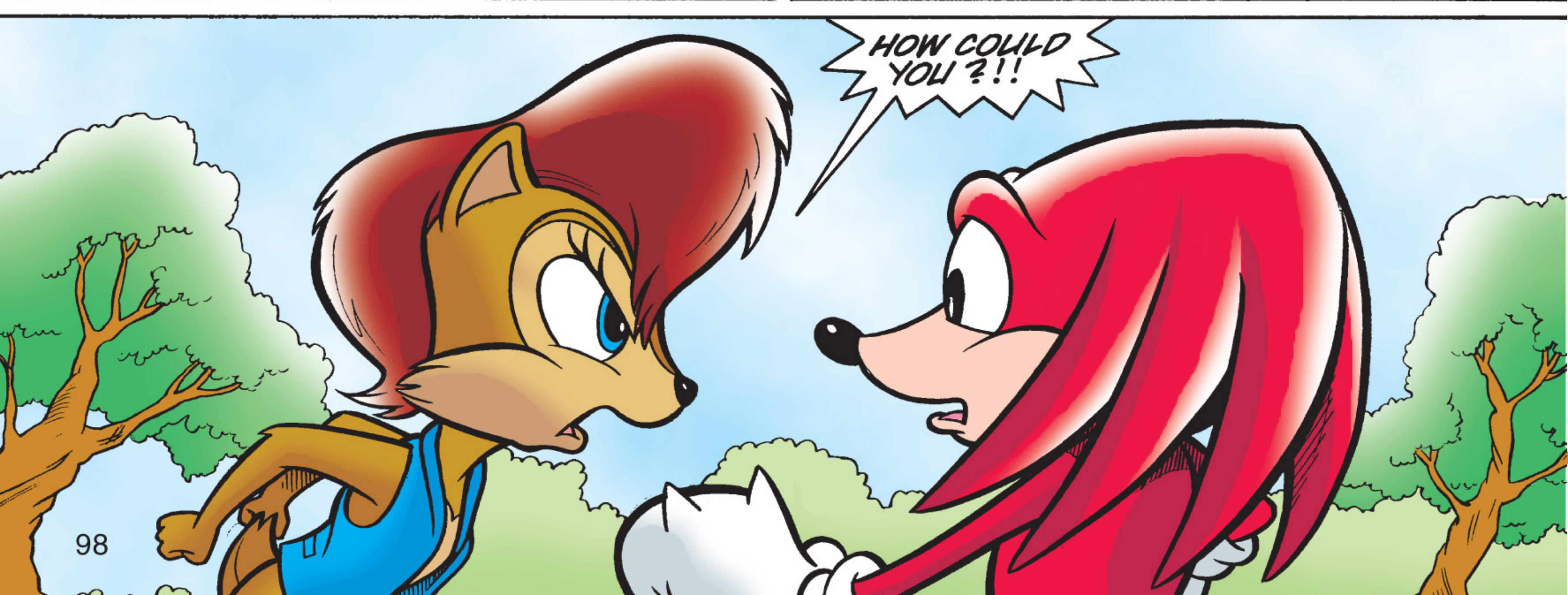
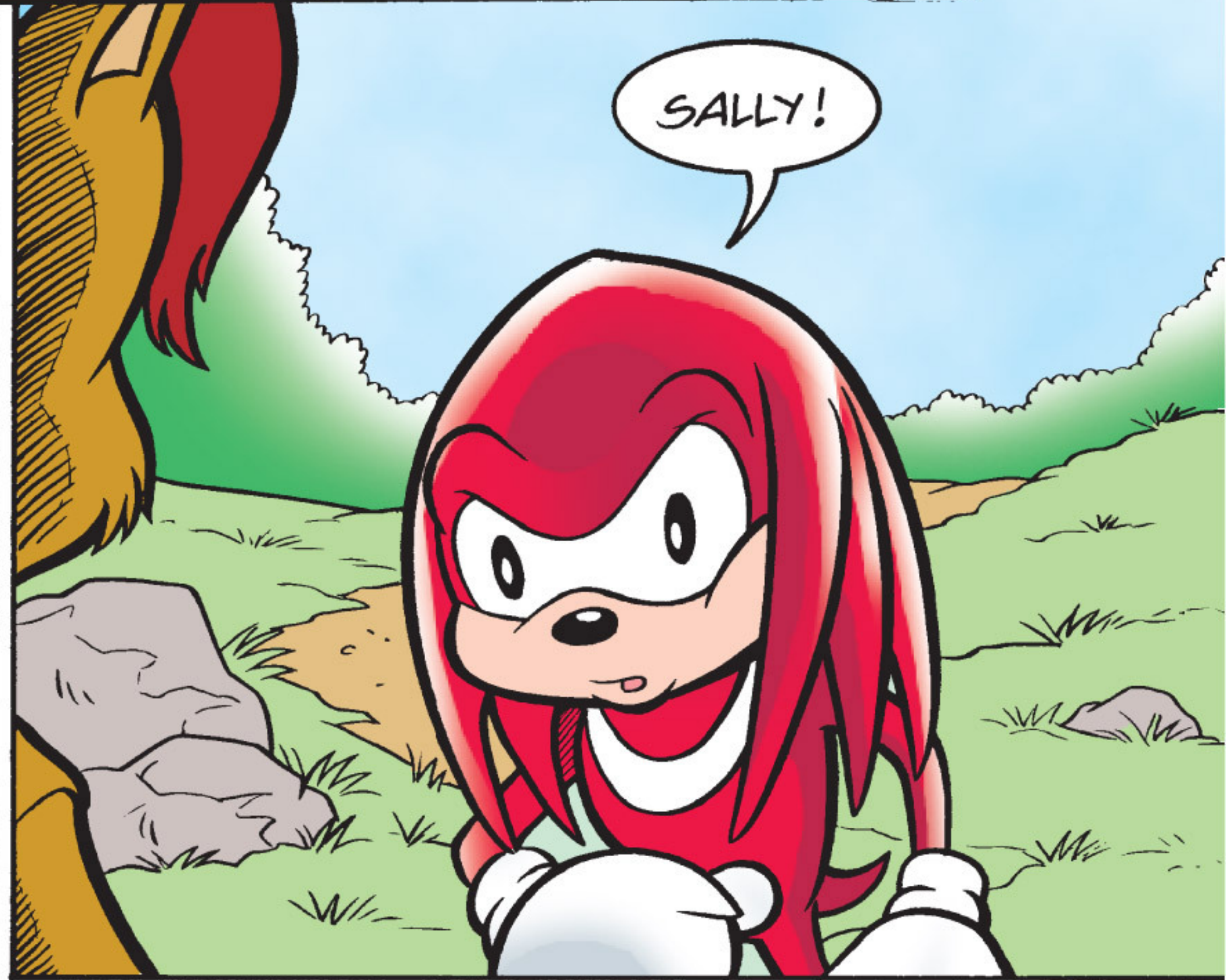
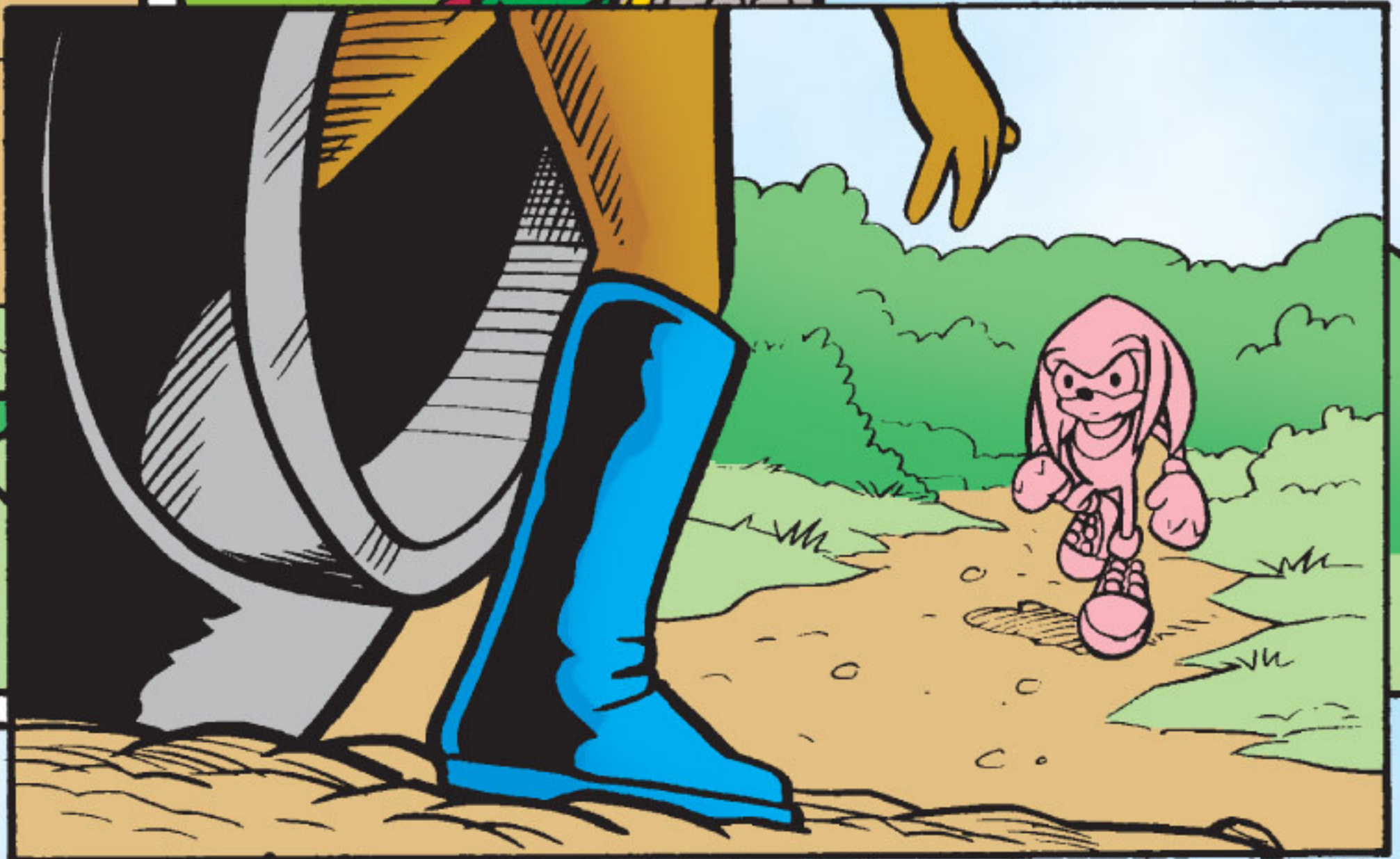
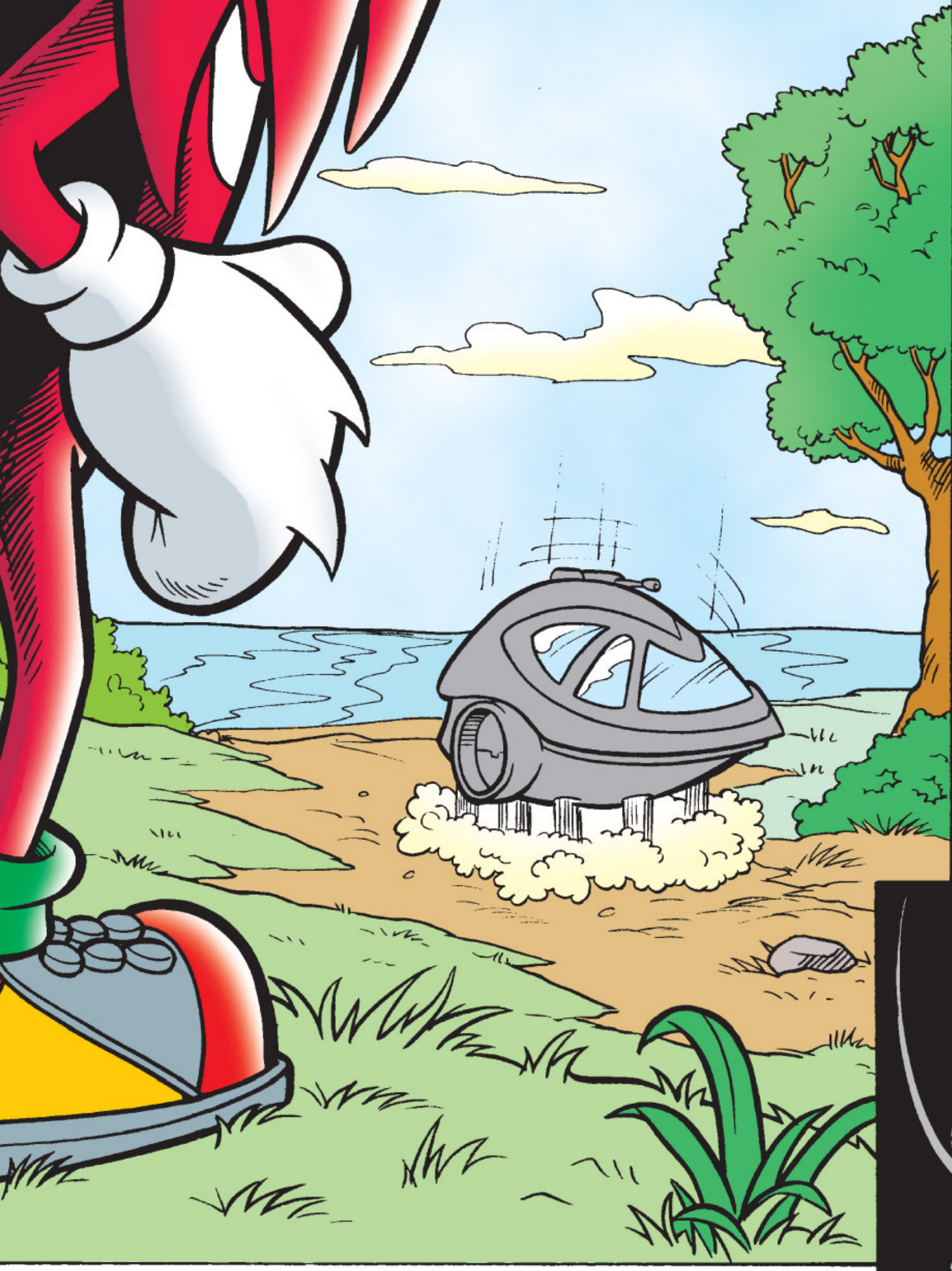
THE ODDS ARE AGAINST AN ENEMY KNOWING KING ACORN'S PERSONAL SIGNAL WITH US, THEREFORE--

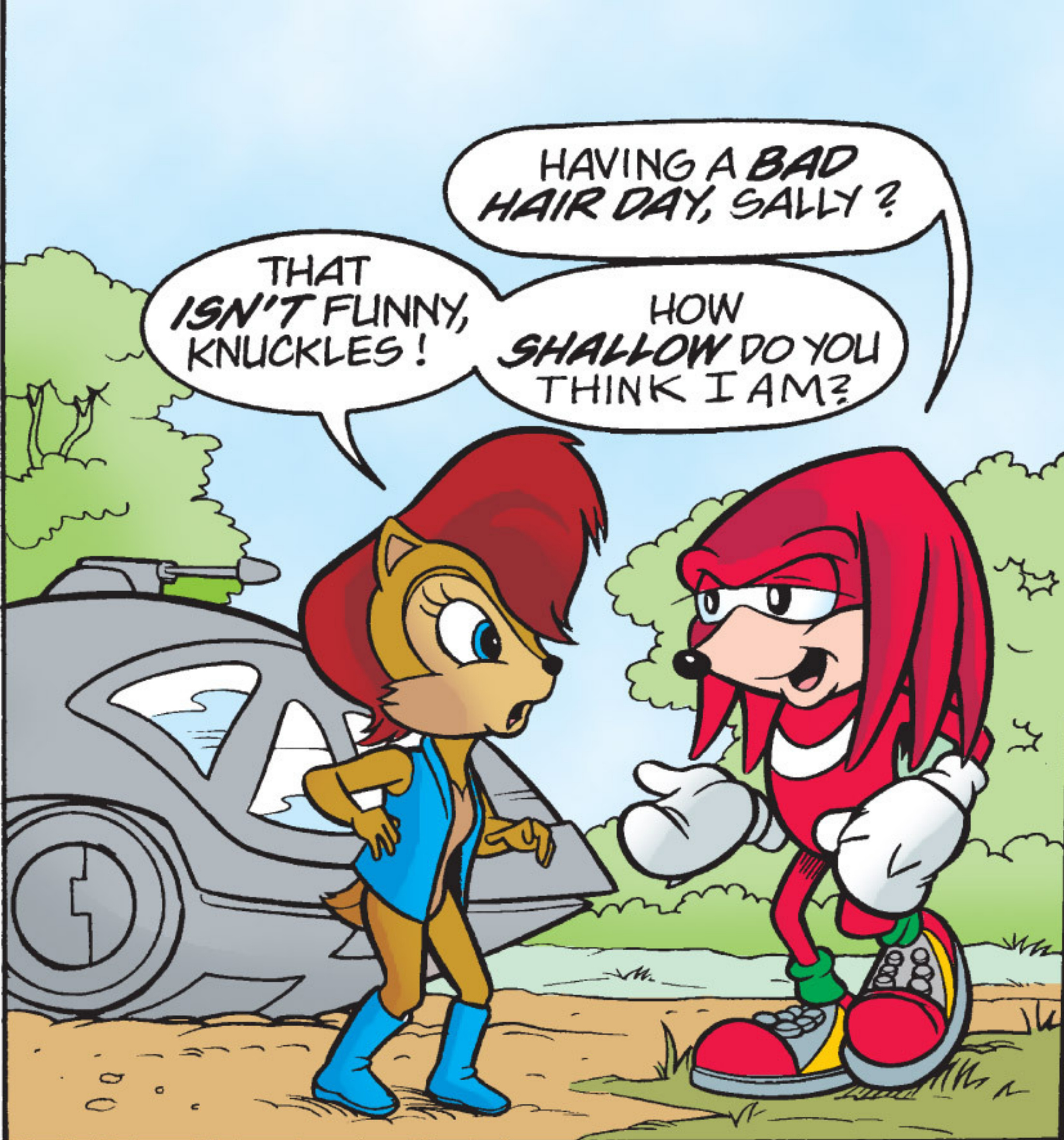
--IT'S MORE THAN LIKELY THE PILOT IS EITHER THE KING HIMSELF OR HIS EMISSARY!

AGREED.

I'M NOW SENDING THE AFFIRMATIVE RESPONSE.

AND NOW WE SIT BACK AND AWAIT THE REPLY!

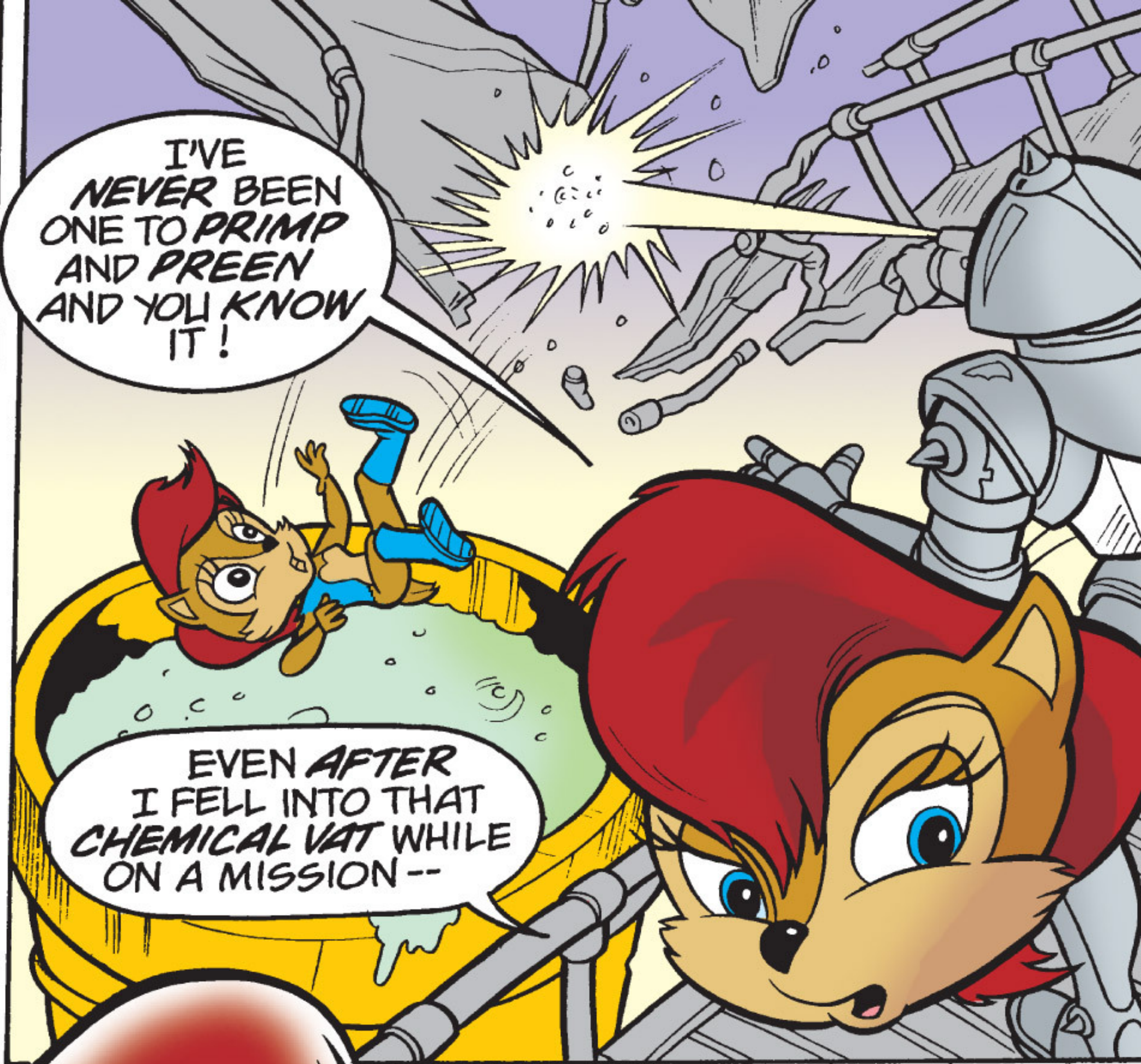




THAT **ISN'T** FUNNY, KNUCKLES!

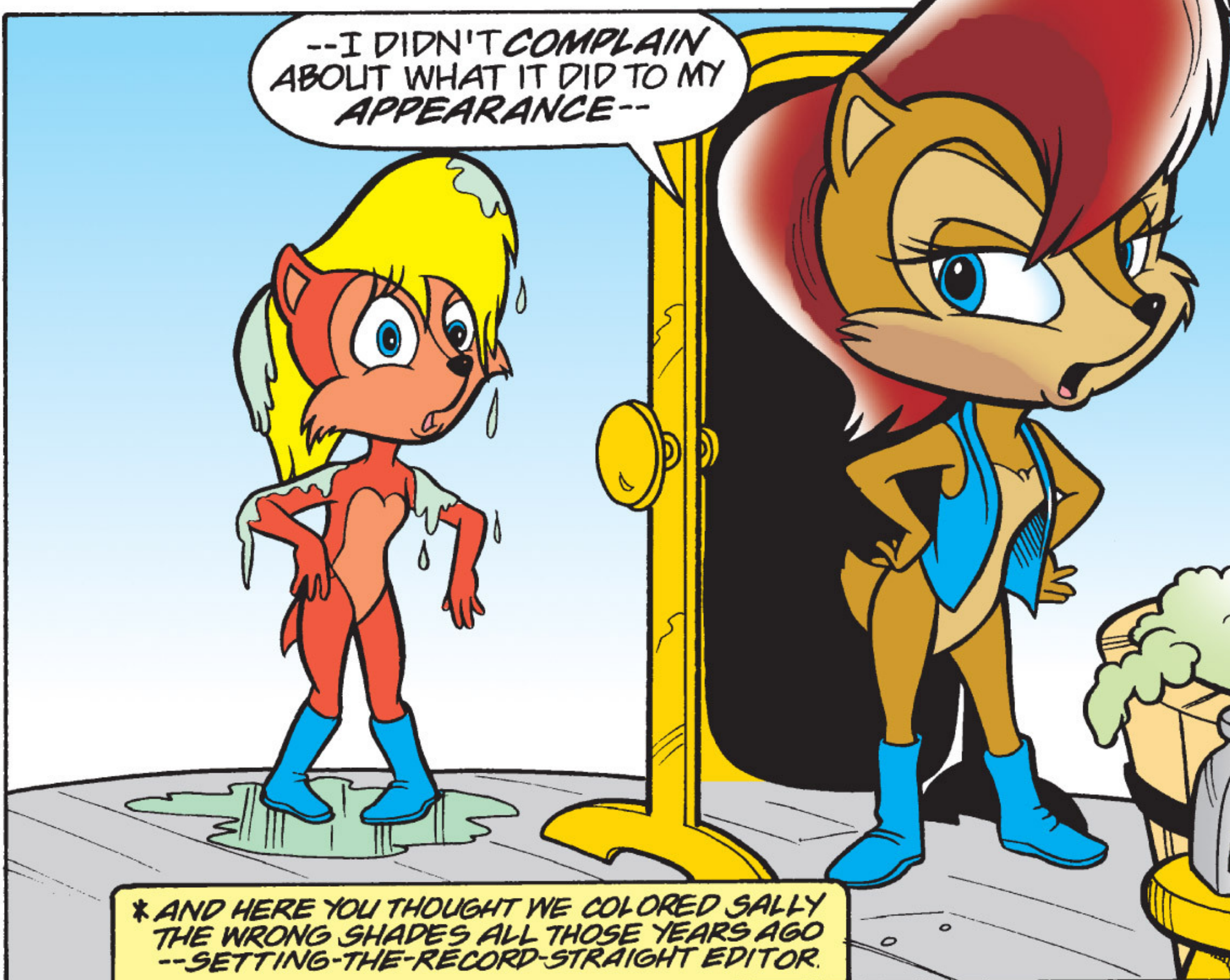
HAVING A **BAD** HAIR DAY, SALLY?

HOW **SHALLOW** DO YOU THINK I AM?



I'VE **NEVER** BEEN ONE TO **PRIMP** AND **PREEN** AND YOU KNOW IT!

EVEN AFTER I FELL INTO THAT **CHEMICAL VAT** WHILE ON A MISSION--



--I DIDN'T **COMPLAIN** ABOUT WHAT IT DID TO MY **APPEARANCE**--



--ANY MORE THAN I DID OVER ALL THOSE **BATHS** I SPENT **SCRUBBING** THE **TOXINS** OUT OF MY FUR! *

* AND HERE YOU THOUGHT WE COLORED SALLY THE WRONG SHADES ALL THOSE YEARS AGO --SETTING-THE-RECORD-STRAIGHT EDITOR.



SO DON'T GO **BLAMING** MY **ATTITUDE** ON A **BAD** HAIR DAY OR **ANYTHING** ELSE, MISTER **LET'S-KEEP-A-SECRET** ECHIDNA!

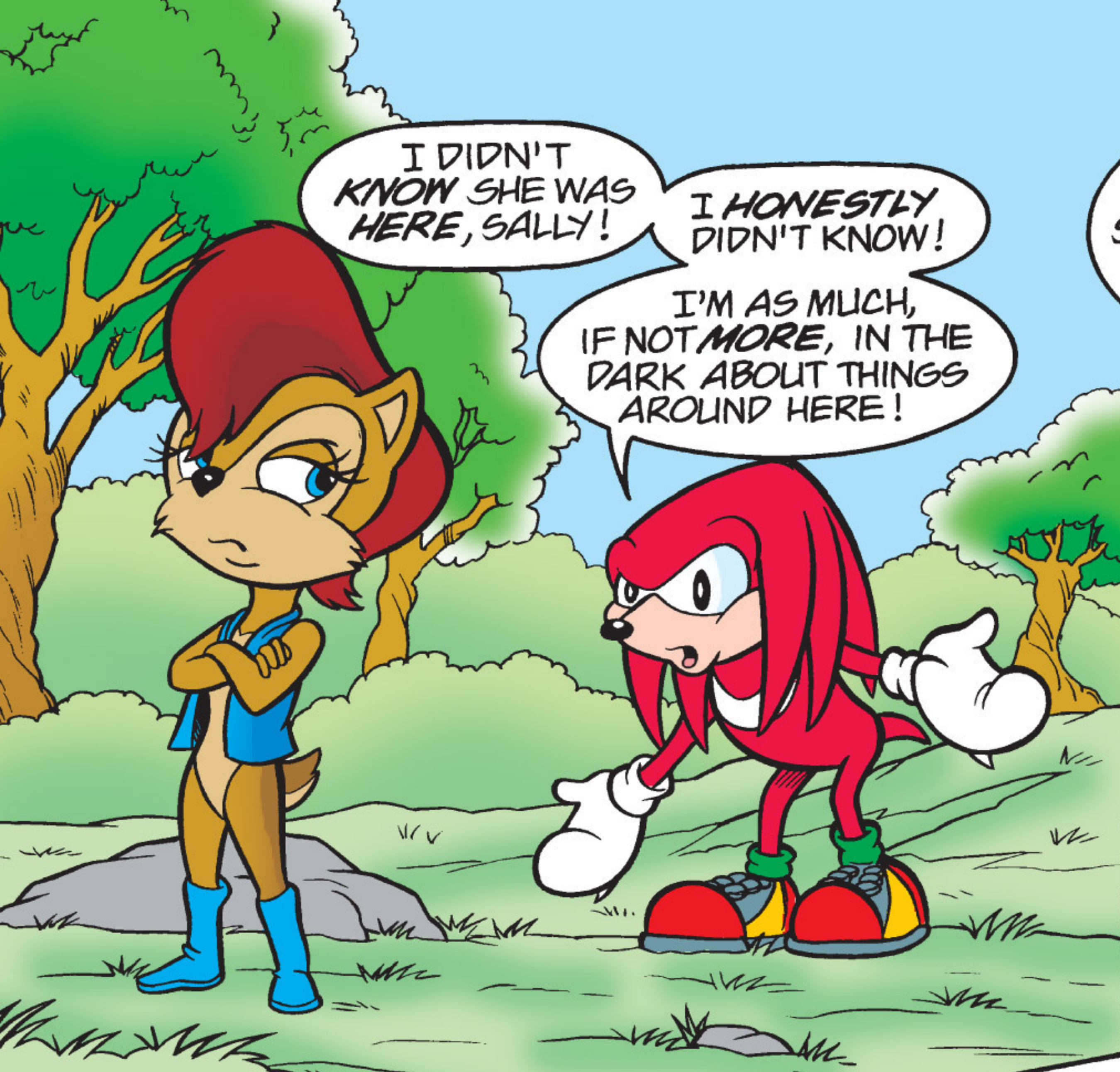
HUH? **SECRET?** **WHAT** **SECRET** ?!!



MY MOTHER, **YOU CLOD!**

YOU KNOW-- THE ONE WHO WAS KEPT IN **COLD STORAGE** ON THIS VERY ISLAND!

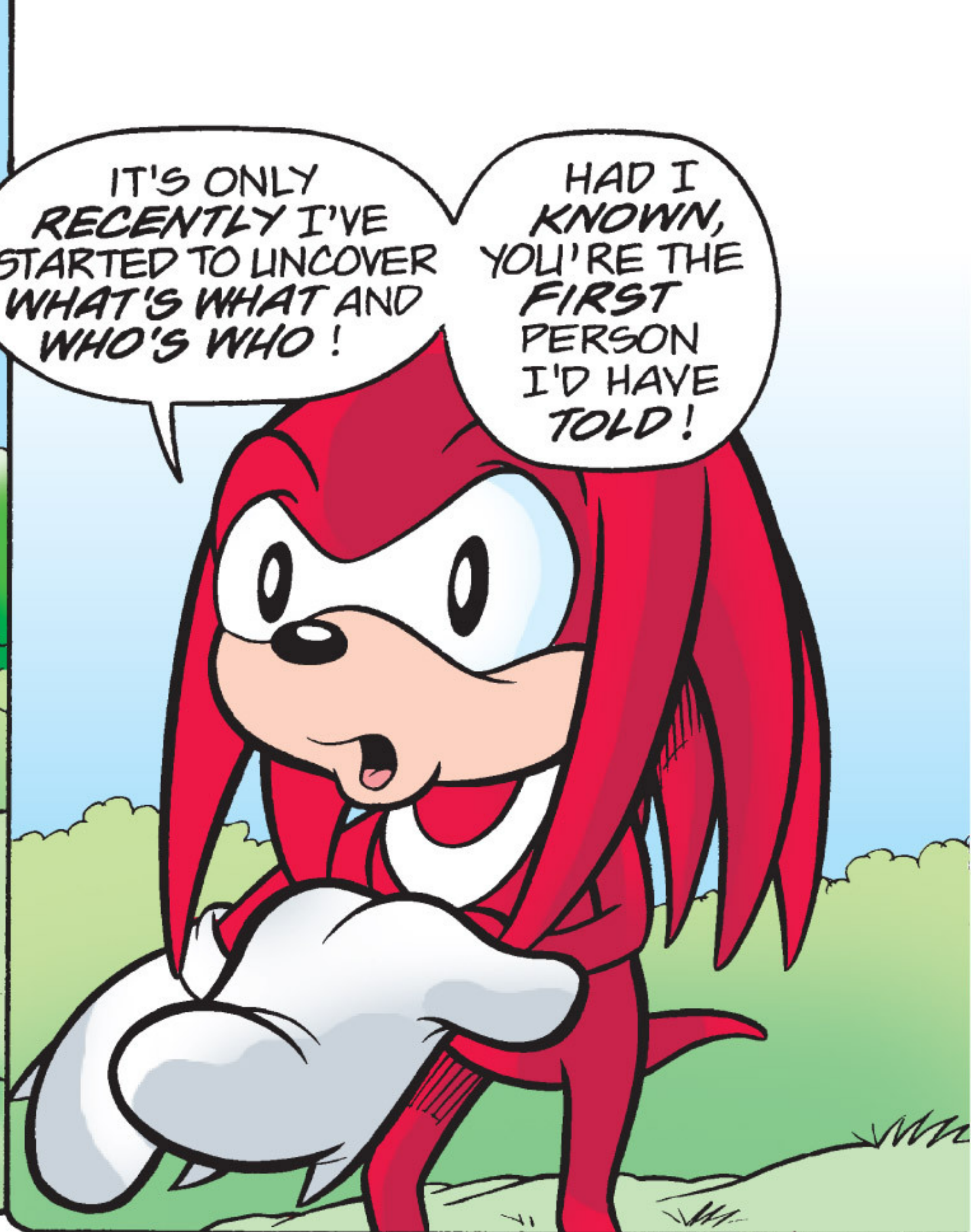
RING **ANY BELLS**, NOW?



I DIDN'T
KNOW SHE WAS
HERE, SALLY!

I HONESTLY
DIDN'T KNOW!

I'M AS MUCH,
IF NOT **MORE**, IN THE
DARK ABOUT THINGS
AROUND HERE!



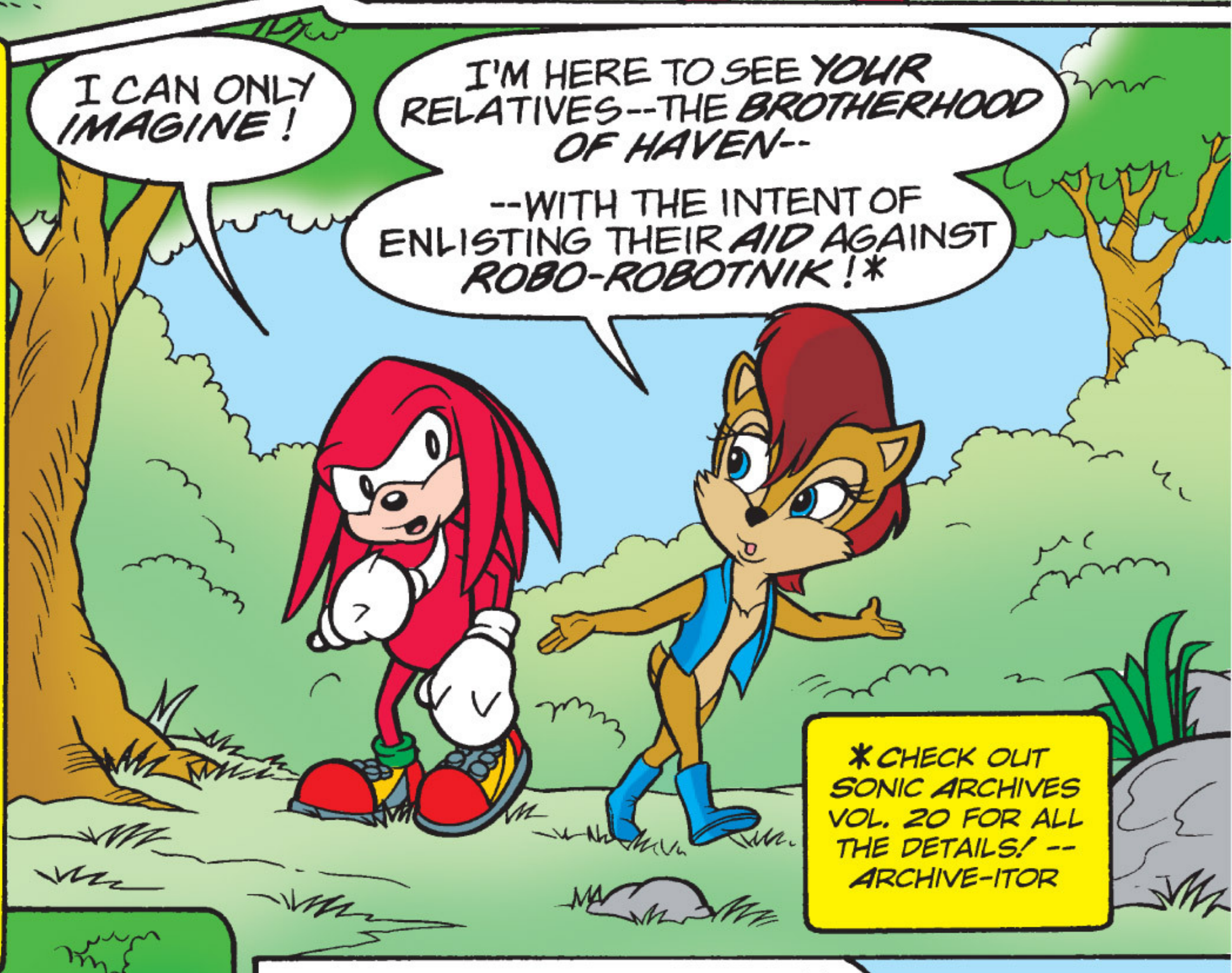
IT'S ONLY
RECENTLY I'VE
STARTED TO UNCOVER
WHAT'S WHAT AND
WHO'S WHO!

HAD I
KNOWN,
YOU'RE THE
FIRST
PERSON
I'D HAVE
TOLD!



HOW WOULD
I KNOW?

HAVE YOU ANY
IDEA OF WHAT MY
REAL MISSION
HERE IS?

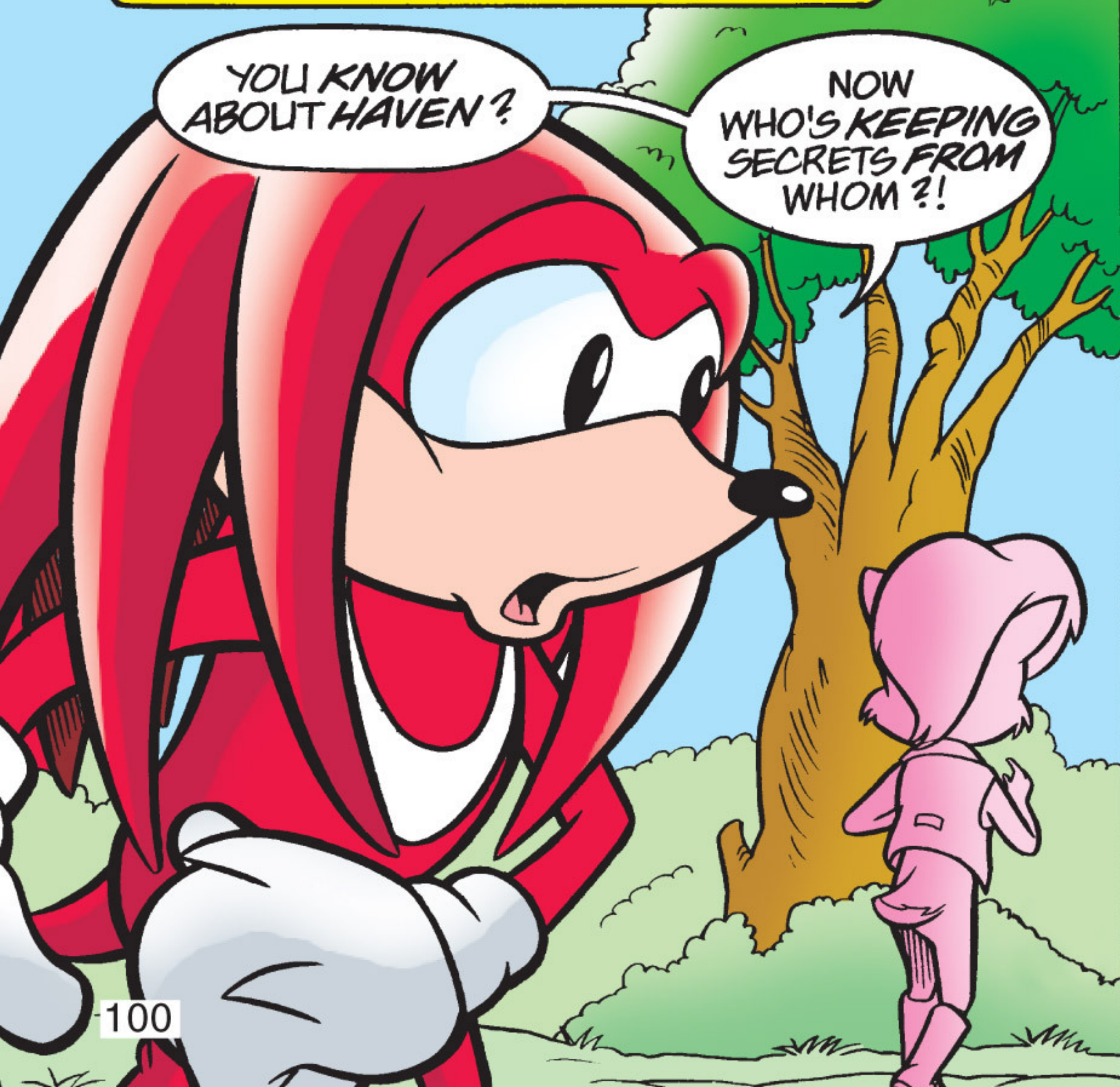


I CAN ONLY
IMAGINE!

I'M HERE TO SEE **YOUR**
RELATIVES--THE **BROTHERHOOD**
OF HAVEN--

--WITH THE INTENT OF
ENLISTING THEIR AID AGAINST
ROBO-ROBOTNIK!*

*CHECK OUT
SONIC ARCHIVES
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THE DETAILS! --
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YOU KNOW
ABOUT HAVEN?

NOW
WHO'S **KEEPING**
SECRETS FROM
WHOM?!



MY **FATHER**, APPARENTLY!
HE'S THE ONE WHO TOLD ME!

YOUR
FATHER?
HOW
WOULD **HE**
KNOW?

I'M NOT SURE!

FATHER TELLS ME ONLY WHAT HE FEELS I *SHOULD* KNOW WHEN I *SHOULD*!

I KNOW THAT STORY ALL TOO WELL!

WHAT KIND OF *HELP* DO YOU NEED?

MORE THAN YOU ALONE COULD HANDLE, KNUCKLES!

HUH?

BAMF!

GREETINGS, YOUR HIGHNESS!

I BID YOU WELCOME ON BEHALF OF THE *BROTHERHOOD* AND ALL WHO RESIDE ON THE *FLOATING ISLAND*!

SPECTRE!

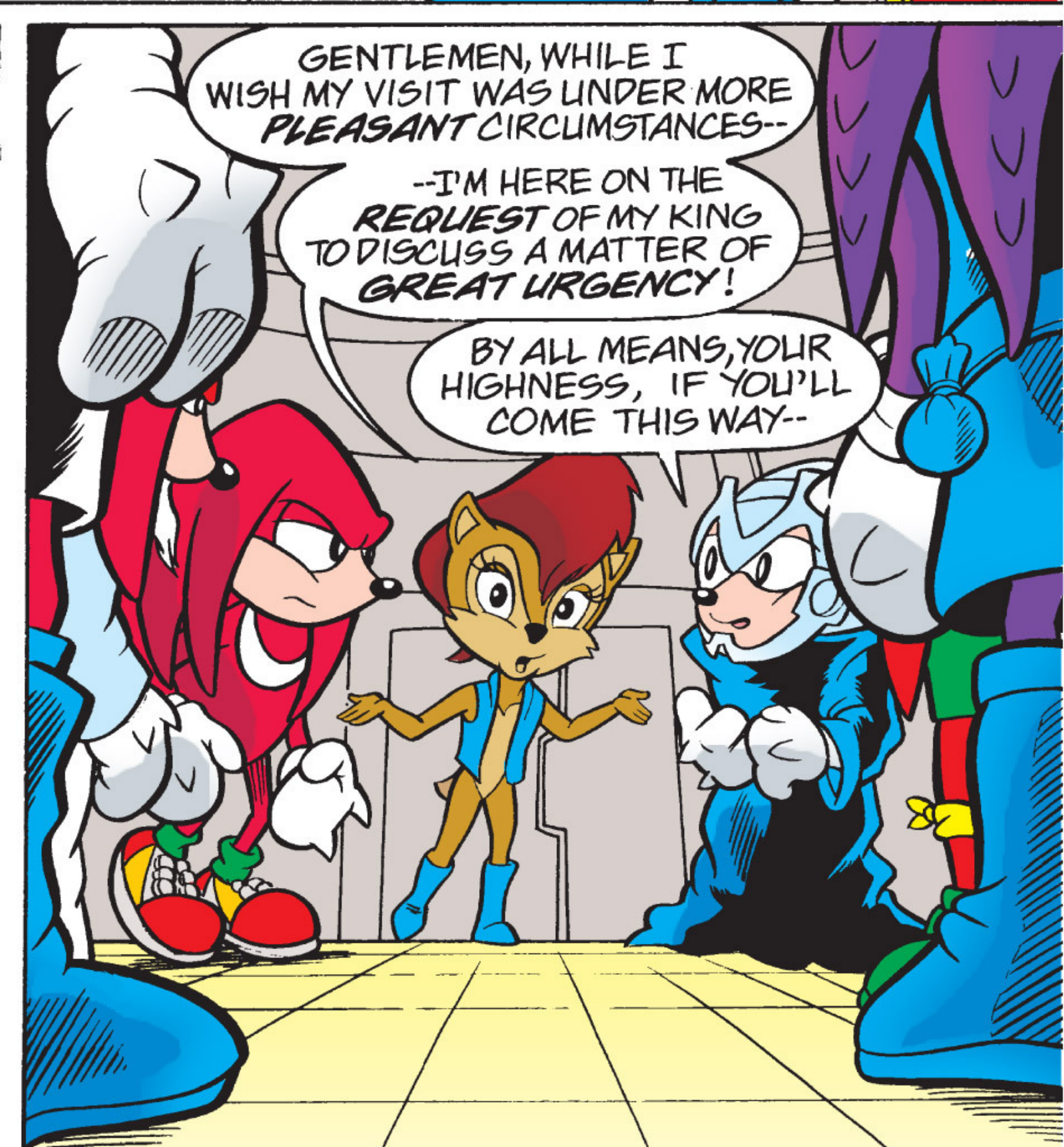
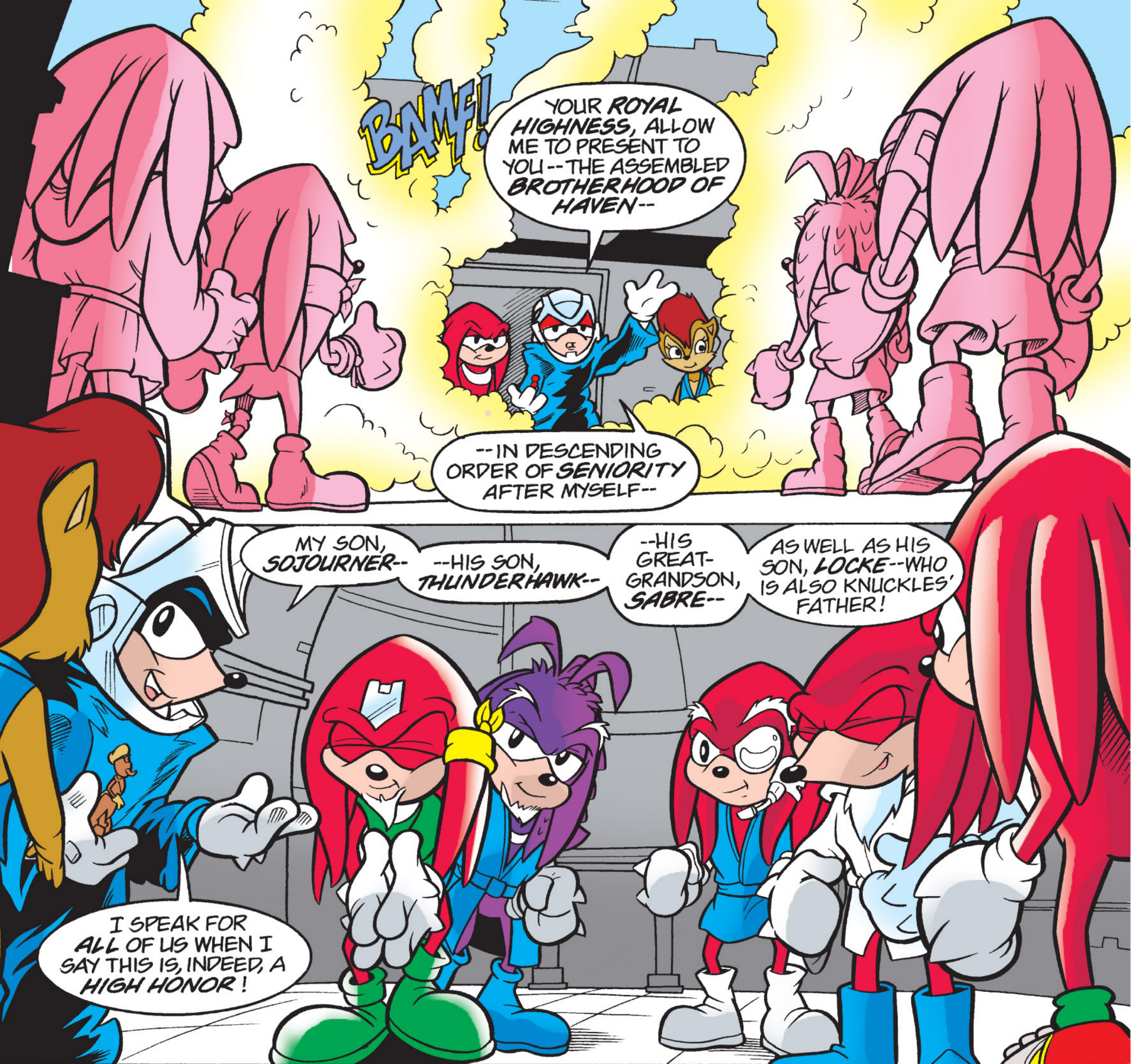
AND DEO VOLENTE!

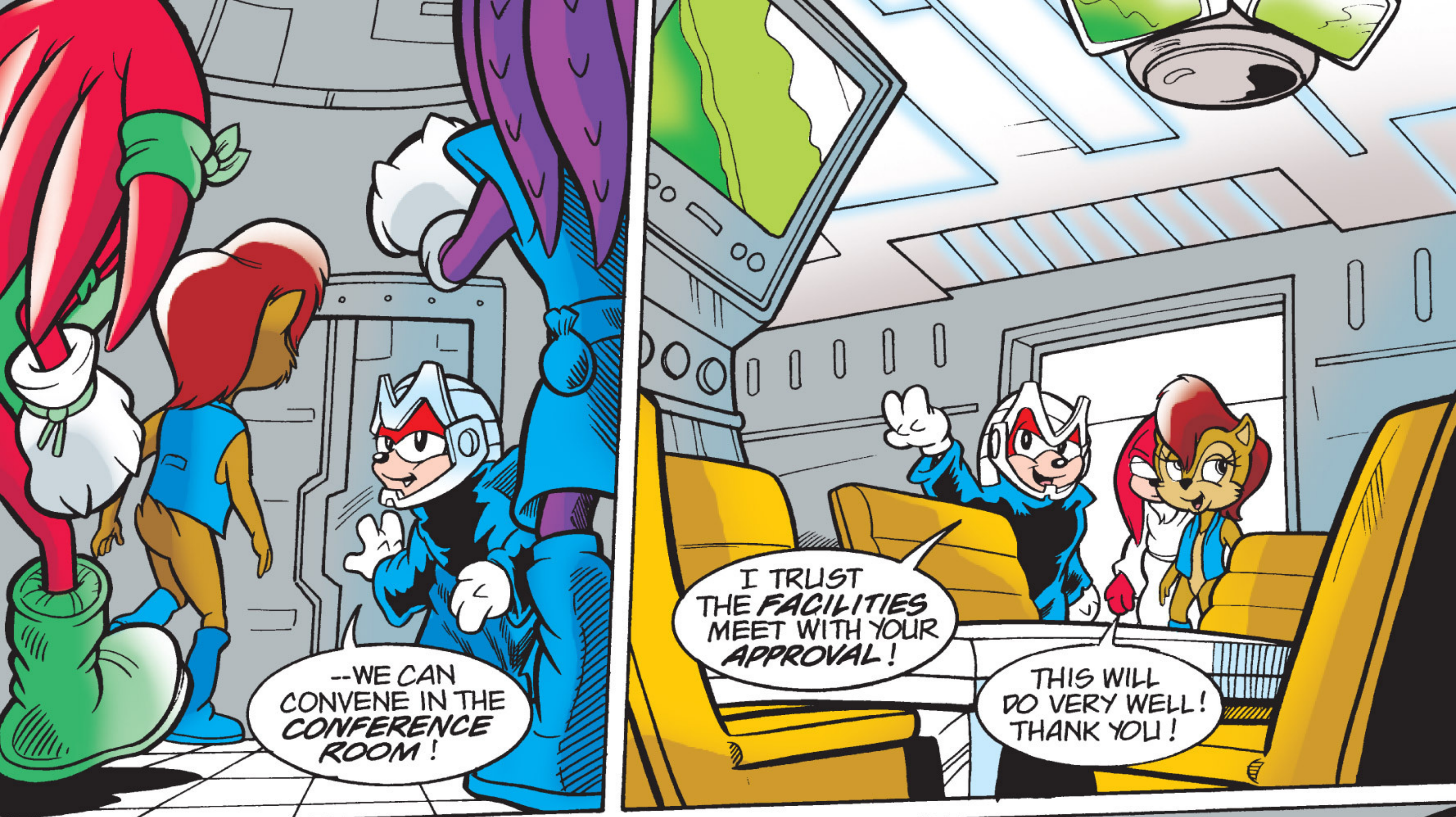
YOU MEAN YOU GUYS *KNEW* THE PRINCESS WAS *COMING*?

NOT AT ALL!

WE DO, HOWEVER, HAVE THE RESOURCES TO RESPOND QUICKLY TO ANY GIVEN SITUATION!

WE UNDERSTAND *TIME* IS OF THE ESSENCE--
-- AND SINCE THERE IS MUCH TO *DISCUSS*--
-- SHALL WE *PROCEED* TO *HAVEN*?





--WE CAN
CONVENE IN THE
CONFERENCE
ROOM!

I TRUST
THE **FACILITIES**
MEET WITH YOUR
APPROVAL!

THIS WILL
DO VERY WELL!
THANK YOU!



WHAT'S THE
MATTER, SON?

YOU SEEM QUITE
DISTRESSED!

WHAT DO I
SAY, DAD?

THAT BECAUSE YOU
AND EVERYONE ELSE KEPT
SECRETS FROM ME,
IT NOW **AFFECTS** MY
FRIENDS, TOO?

YOU WERE **NEVER**
MEANT TO BE **FRIENDS**
WITH THE PRINCESS,
KNUCKLES!

MAYBE THAT WAS AN
INCORRECT DECISION
ON MY PART, BUT I WAS
USING **PAST HISTORY**
AS MY **GUIDE**!

SO, I **DON'T**
HAVE ANY SAY WHO
I CAN **HAVE** AS
FRIENDS?

NOT IN
THIS CASE!

SHE'S **POSSIBLY** GOING
TO BE THE **LEADER**
OF HER PEOPLE!

HER **BEST** INTERESTS
MAY NOT COINCIDE WITH
YOURS!

HOW
SO?



"HER PEOPLE HAVE TRIED TO PEACEFULLY CO-EXIST WITH THOSE WHO WOULD **PREY** ON THEM, THUS LEAVING THEMSELVES OPEN TO **ATTACK** !

"INSTEAD OF TAKING WHATEVER MEANS NECESSARY TO **PREVENT** THIS, THEY END UP IN A CONSTANT STATE OF **WAR** ! "

... AND IF **ROBO-ROBOTNIK**--(OR ROBOTNIK MACH 2, OR WHATEVER HE CALLS HIMSELF)--SUCCEEDS WITH HIS **PLANS**, THEN **NO ONE** ON **MOBILIS** WILL BE **SAFE** !

THEREFORE, I **IMPLORE** YOU FOR YOUR **ASSISTANCE** IN DEFEATING THIS **MALEVOLENT** FORCE !

ON A MORE **PERSONAL** LEVEL, OUR ROYAL PHYSICIAN IS HAVING **DIFFICULTY** MAINTAINING LIFE SUPPORT FOR MY **MOTHER**, QUEEN ACORN--

--SO, IF THERE IS ANYTHING YOU CAN DO TO **ALLEVIATE** HER CONDITION, WE'D BE **IMMENSELY** GRATEFUL !

BEFORE WE DISCUSS YOUR **INITIAL REQUEST**, REGARDING THE CONDITION OF YOUR **MOTHER**--

--WE KEPT HER ALIVE THROUGH METHODS **COMPATIBLE** WITH **ECHIDNA** **PHYSIOLOGY** !

THERE WAS--IS-- NOTHING MORE WE CAN DO FOR HER ! I'M SORRY !

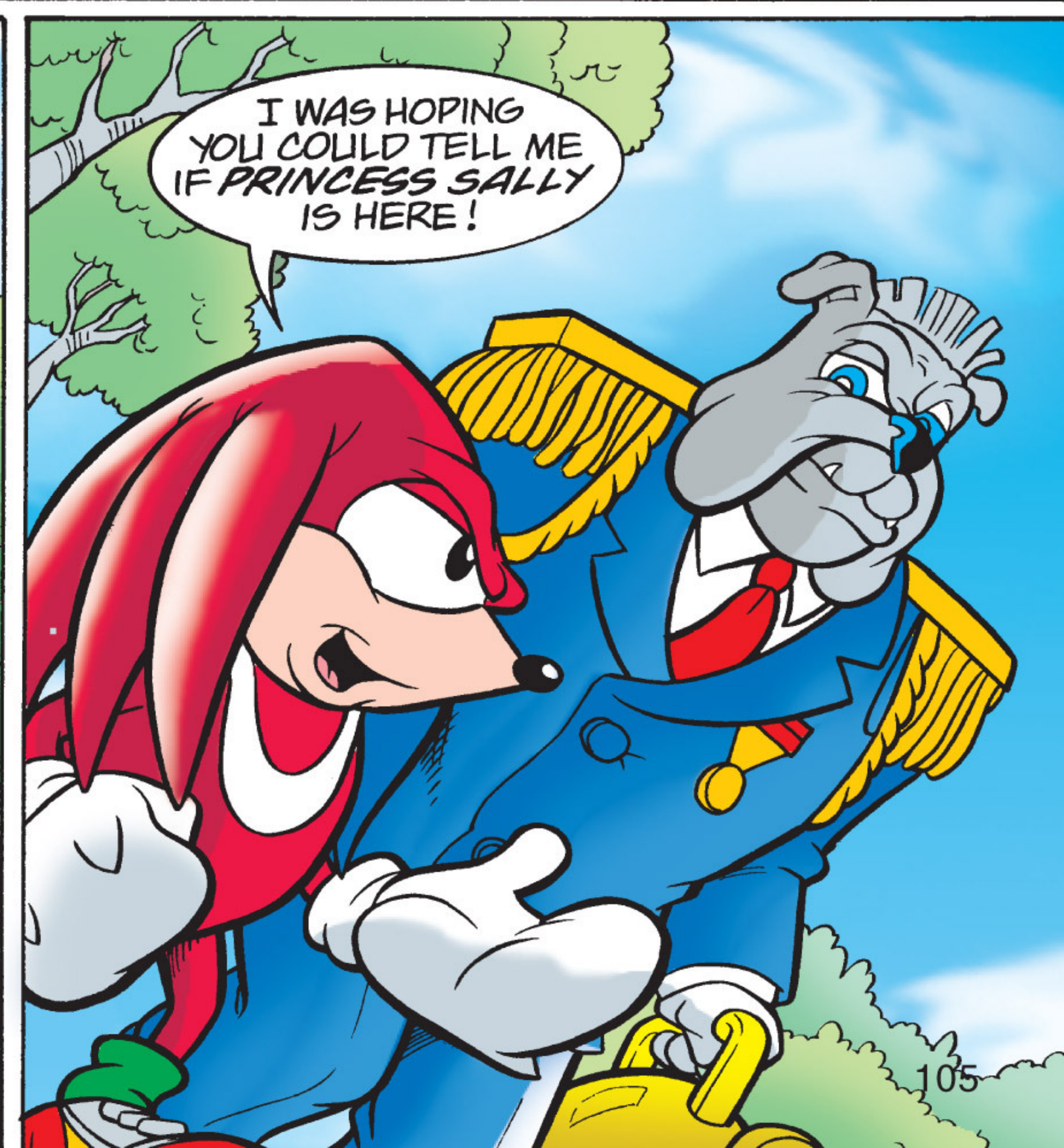
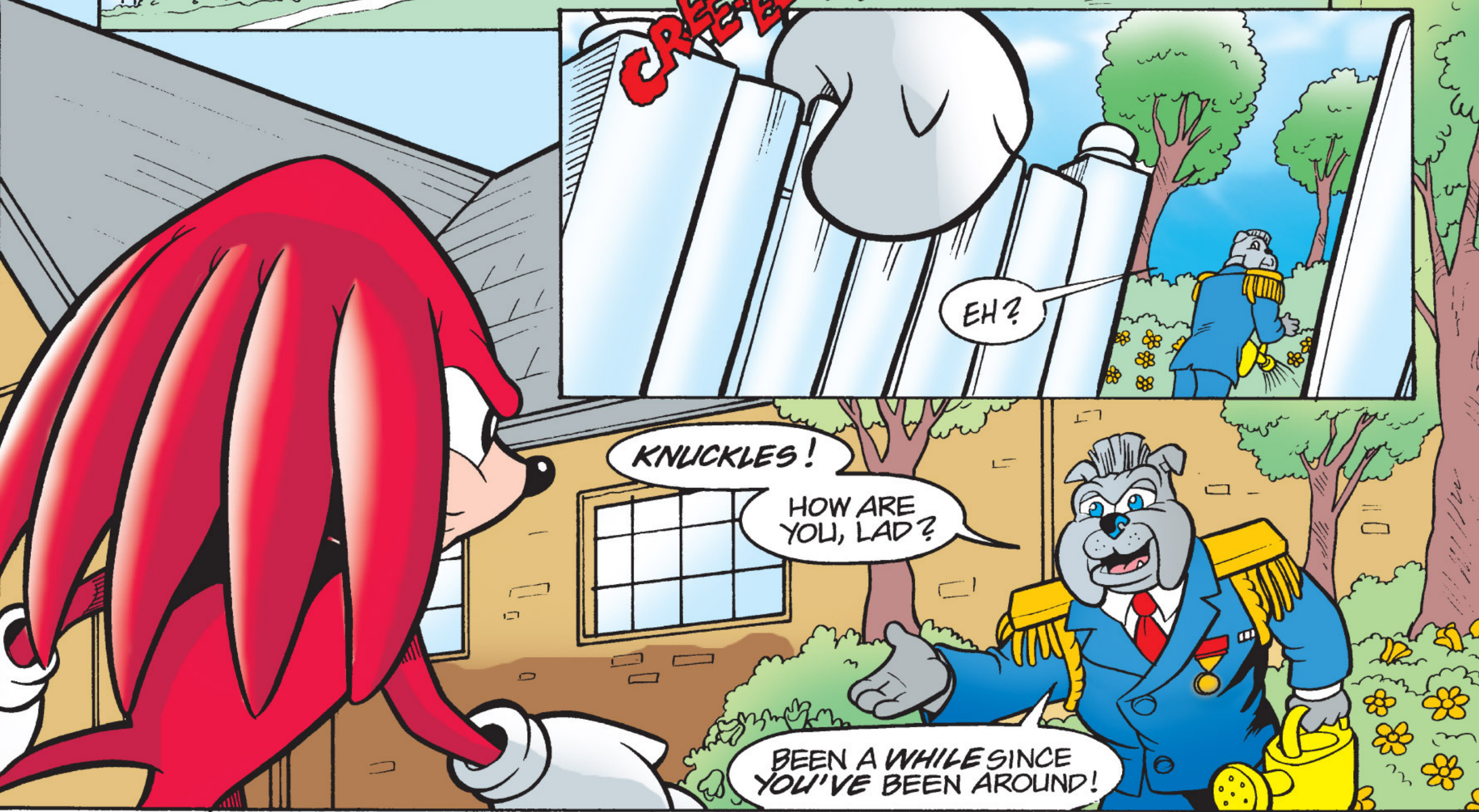
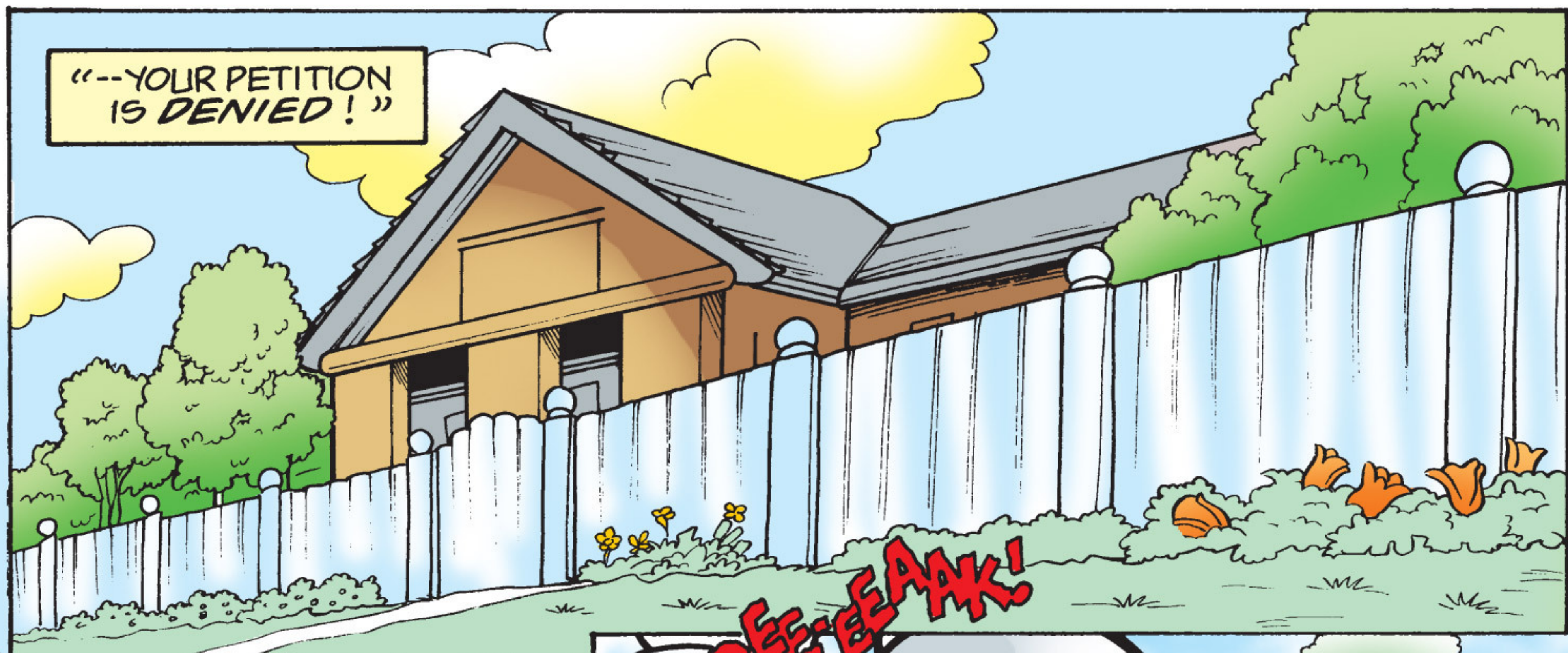
AS FOR YOUR **CURRENT** **PREDICAMENT** WITH THE **DESPOT** **ROBO-ROBOTNIK**--

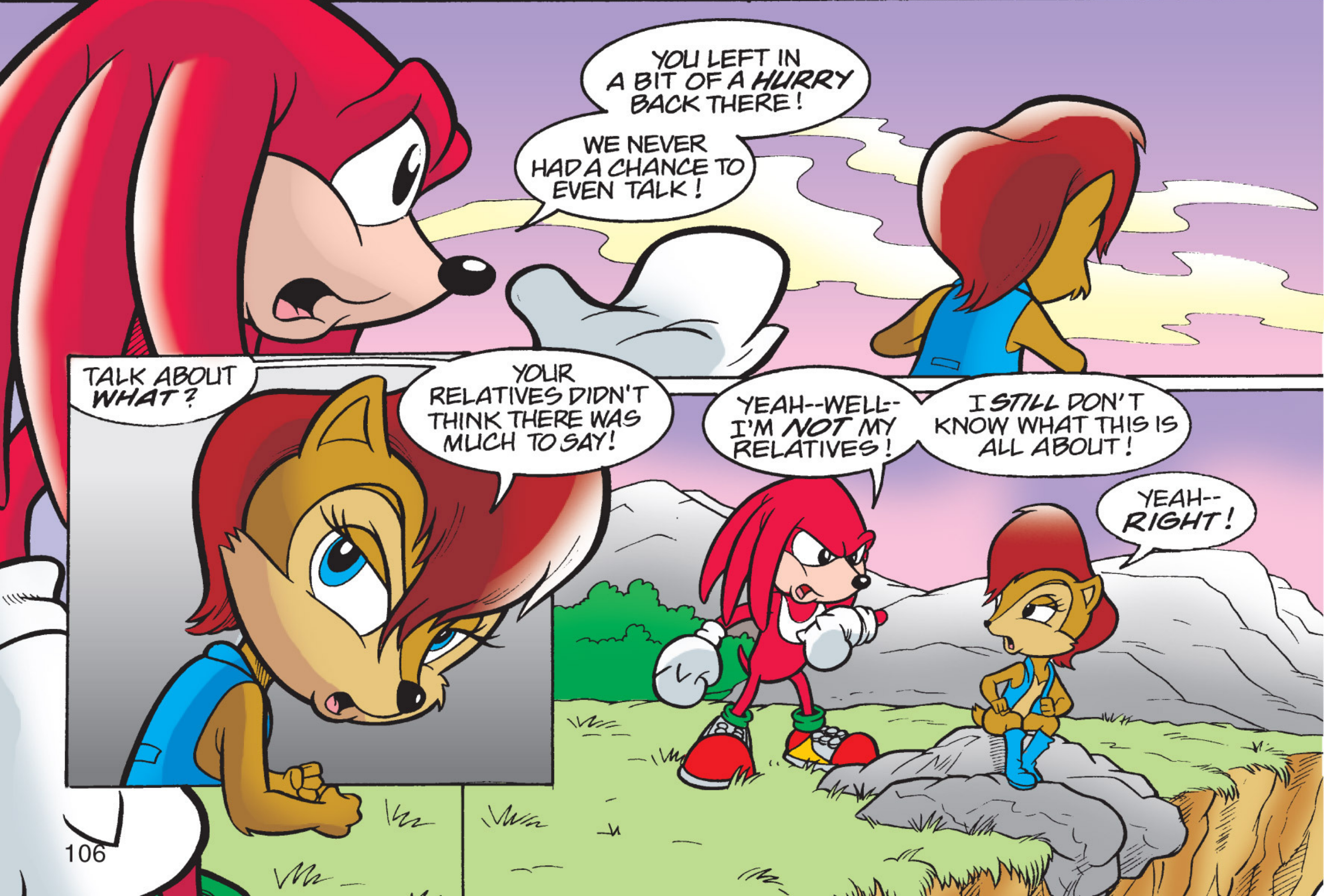
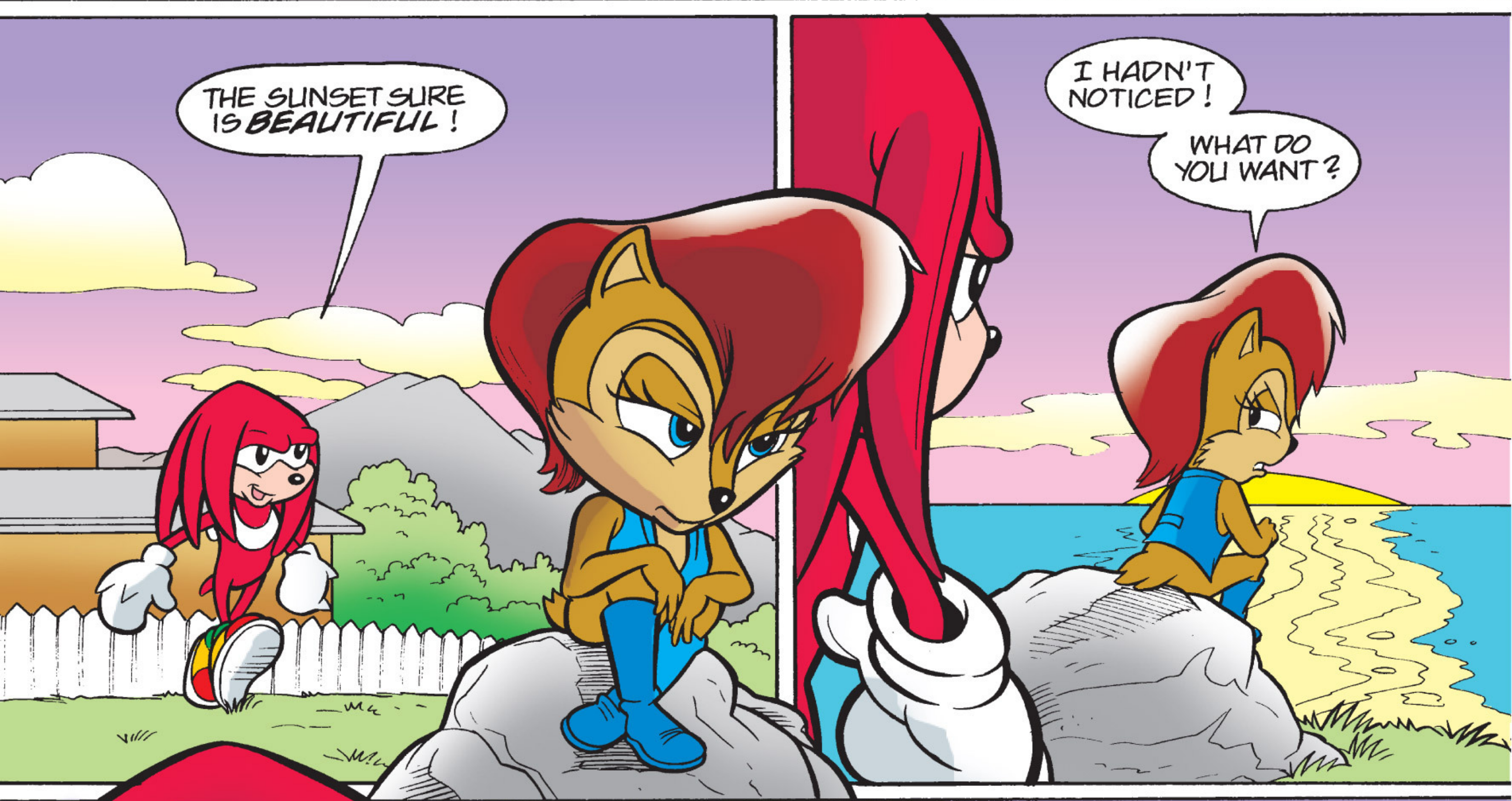
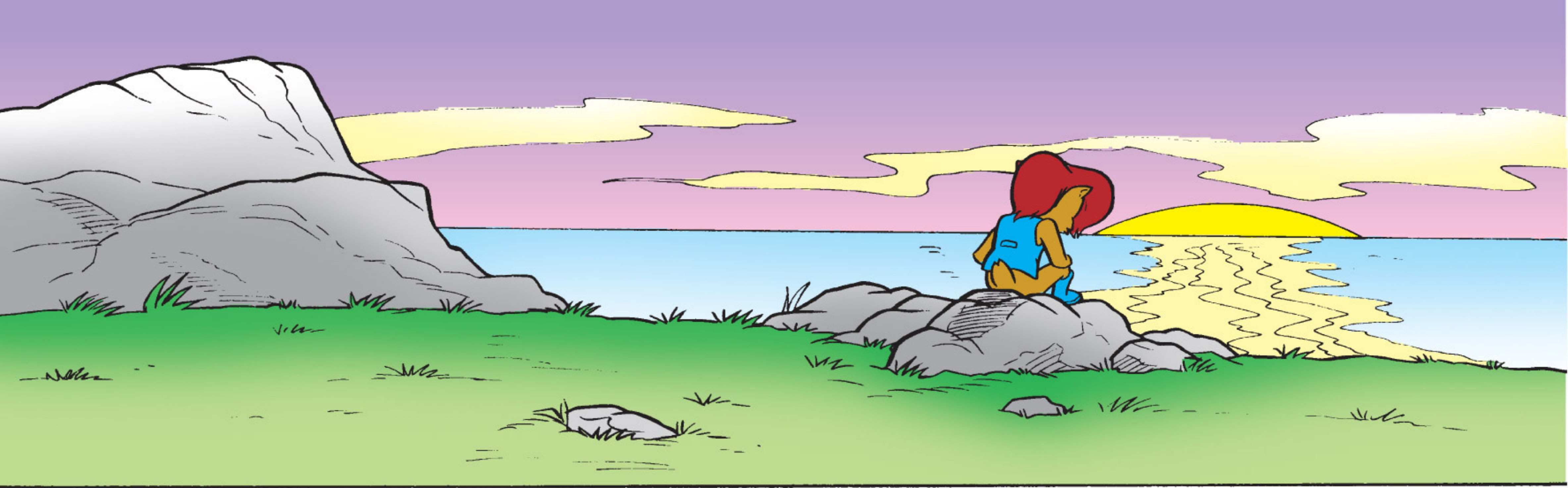
--ARE YOUR PEOPLE WILLING TO **ENGAGE** HIM USING **EVERY** MEANS **AVAILABLE**--

-- INCLUDING THE **LATEST** IN **MUNITIONS** **TECHNOLOGY** ?

YOU KNOW I **CAN'T** **AGREE** TO **THAT**, **BROTHER** **SPECTRE** !

IF THAT IS TO BE YOUR **FINAL** WORD, YOUR **HIGHNESS**--



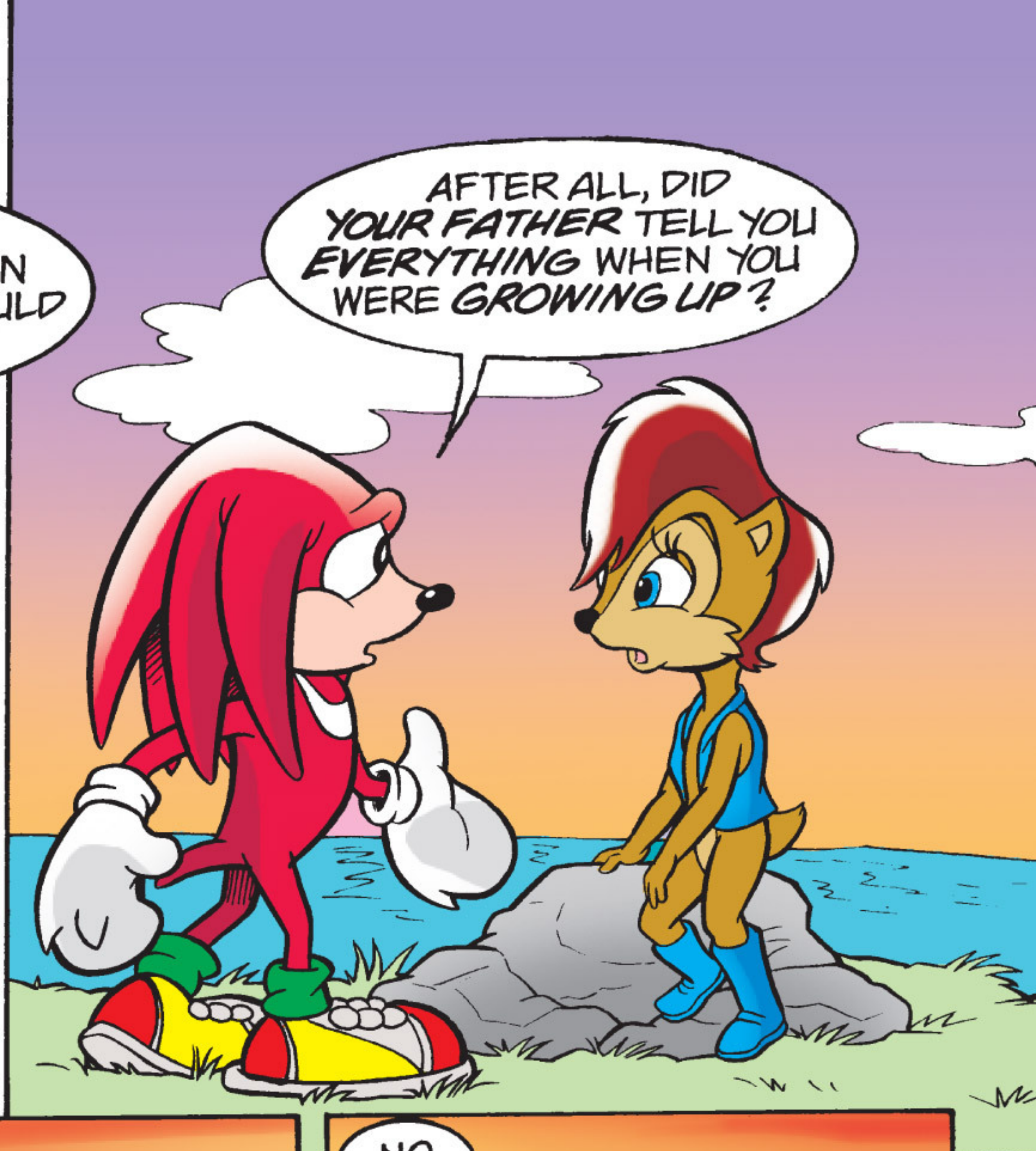




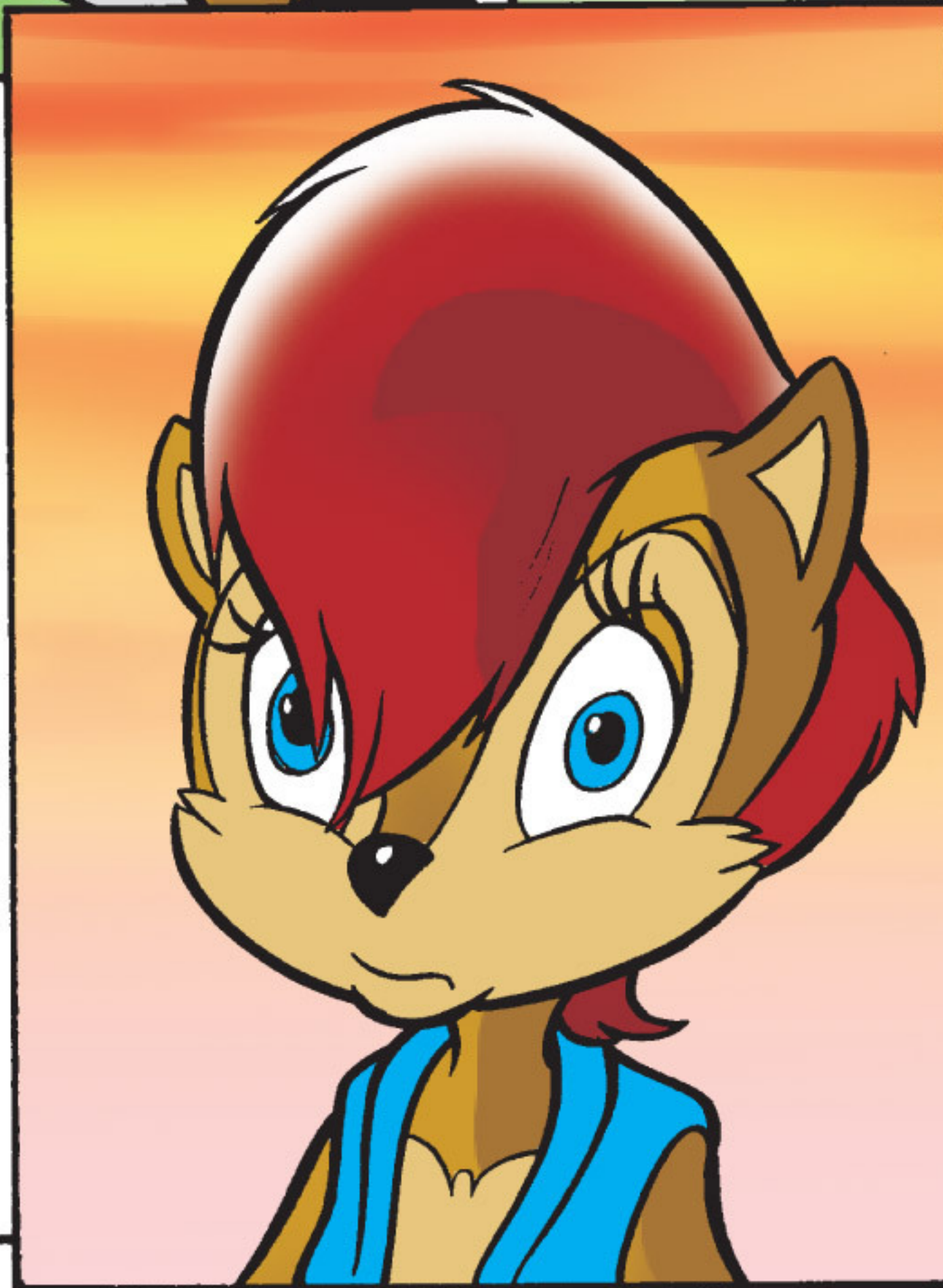
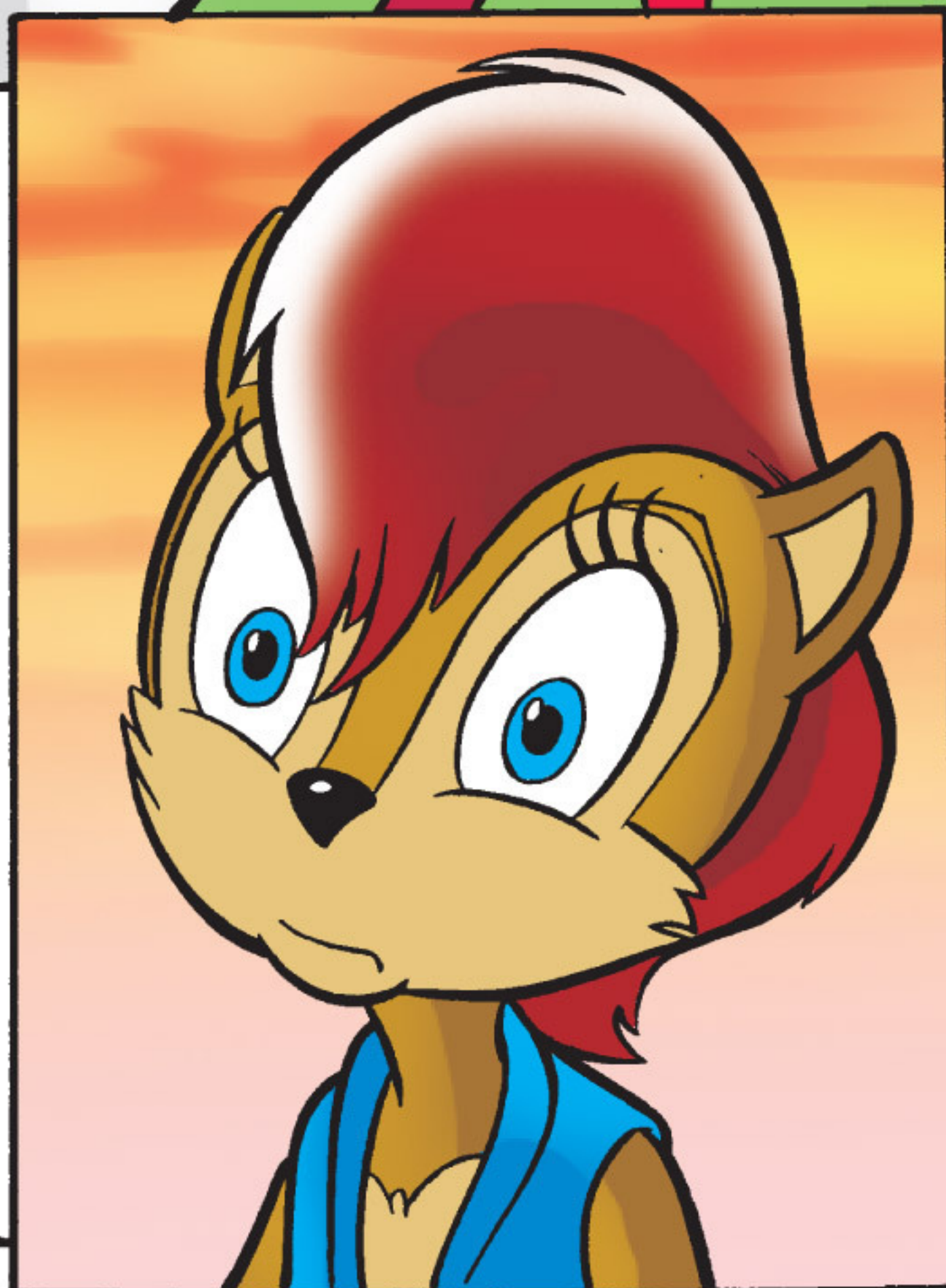
Y'KNOW--

--OUT OF EVERYONE
I KNOW OF--

--I FIGURED
YOU, MORE THAN
ANYONE ELSE, WOULD
UNDERSTAND!

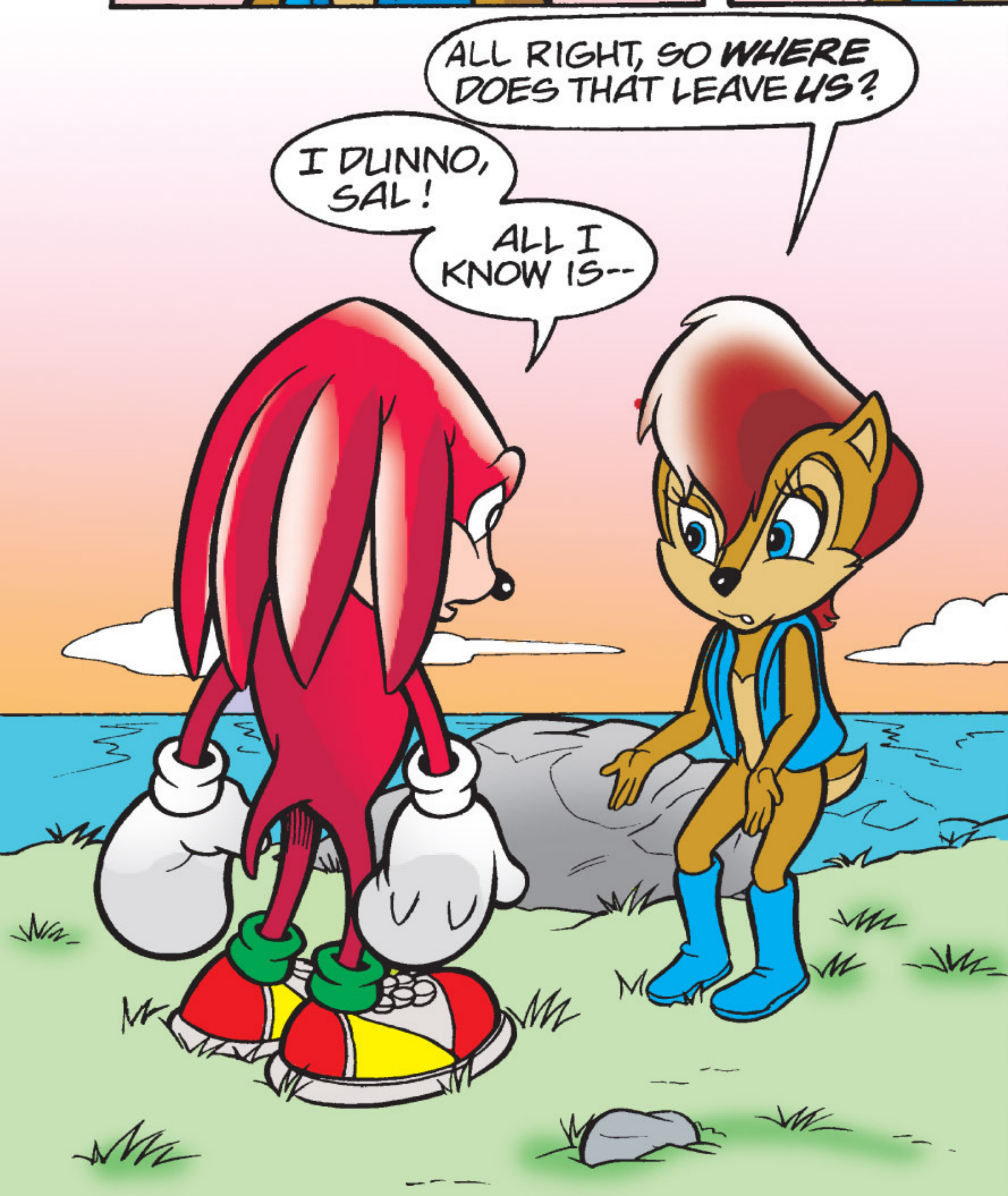


AFTER ALL, DID
YOUR FATHER TELL YOU
EVERYTHING WHEN YOU
WERE GROWING UP?



NO.

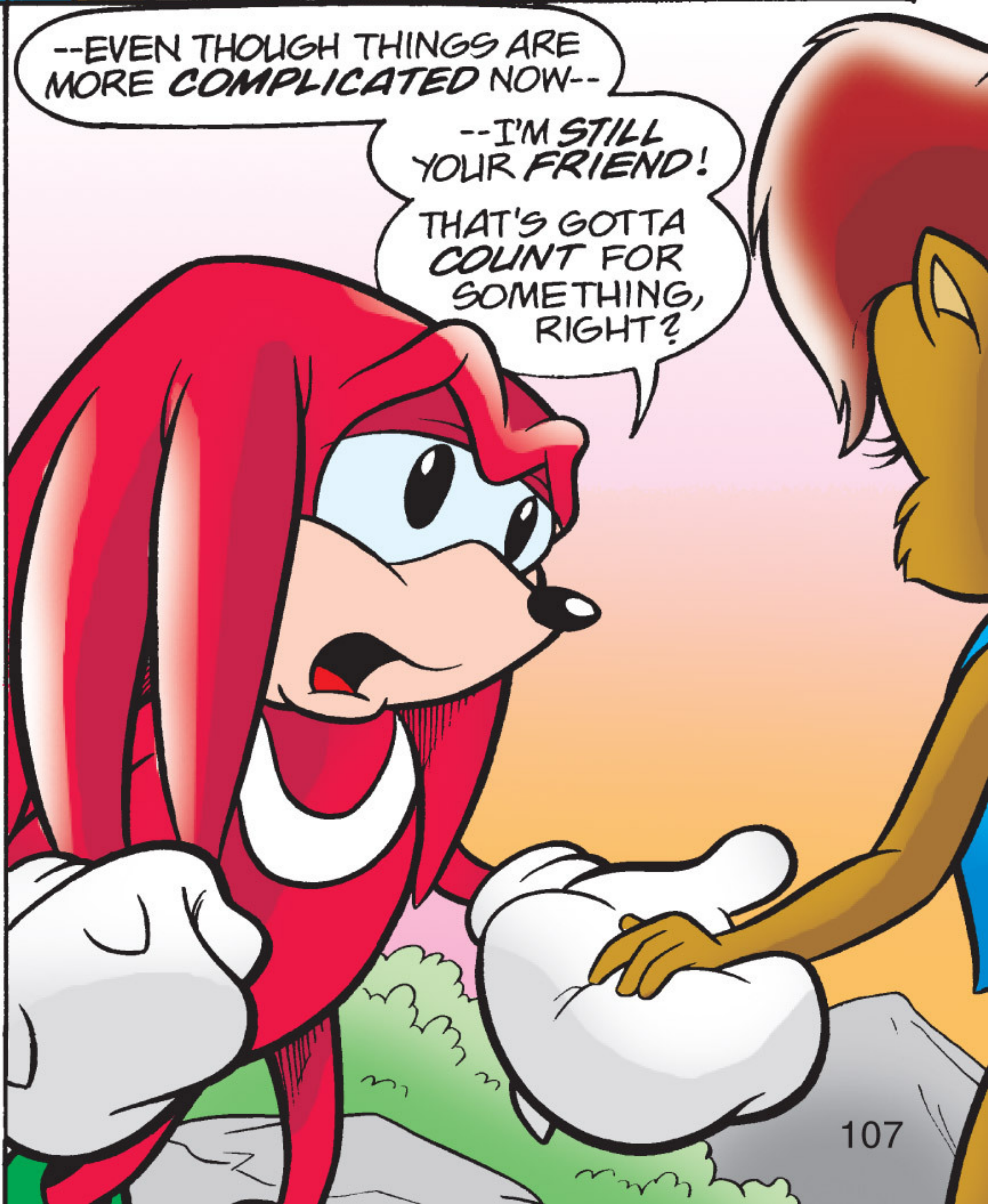
HE
DIDN'T.



ALL RIGHT, SO *WHERE*
DOES THAT LEAVE US?

I DUNNO,
SAL!

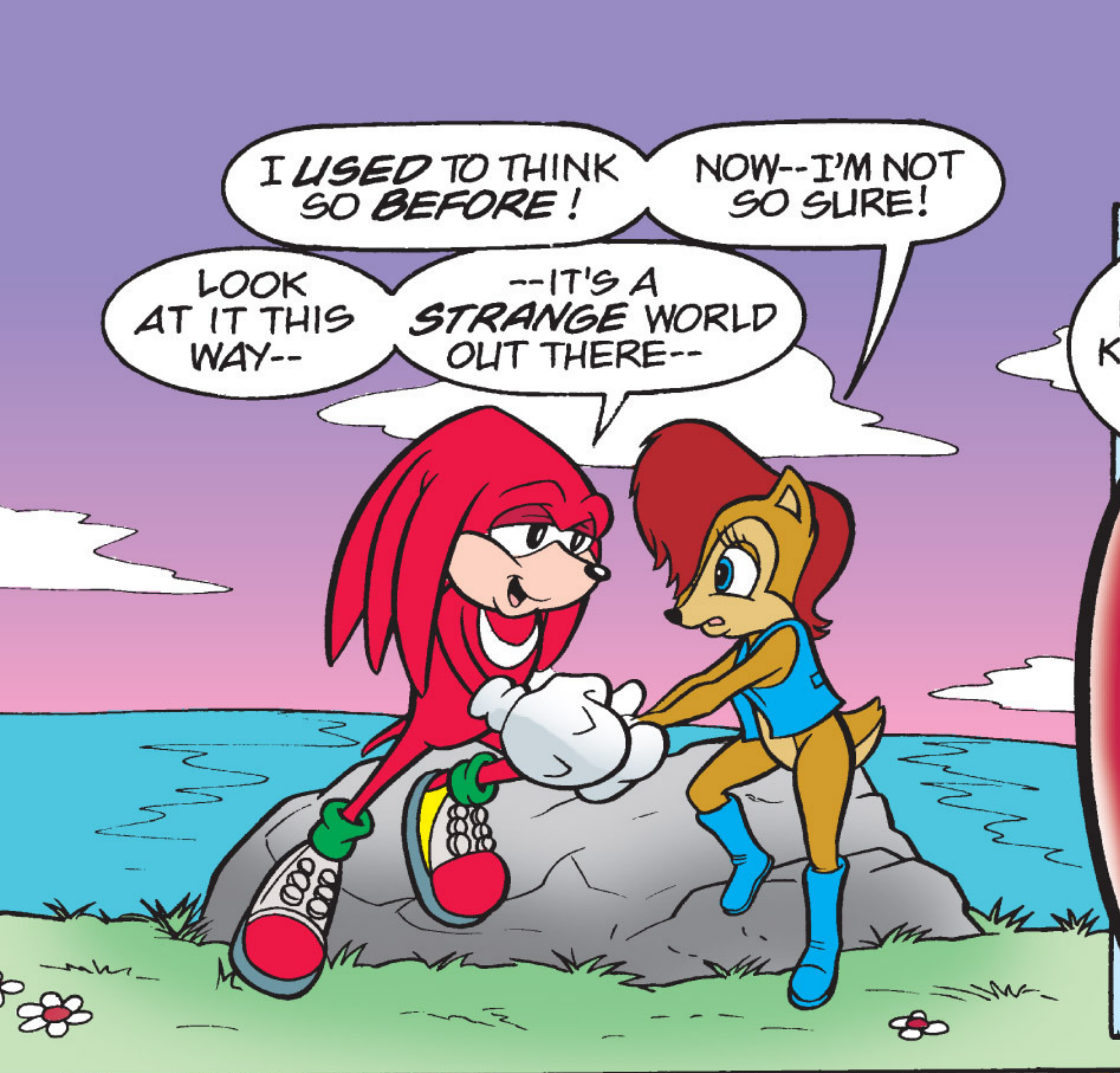
ALL I
KNOW IS--



--EVEN THOUGH THINGS ARE
MORE *COMPLICATED* NOW--

--I'M *STILL*
YOUR FRIEND!

THAT'S GOTTA
COUNT FOR
SOMETHING,
RIGHT?



I *USED* TO THINK SO *BEFORE*!

NOW--I'M NOT SO SURE!

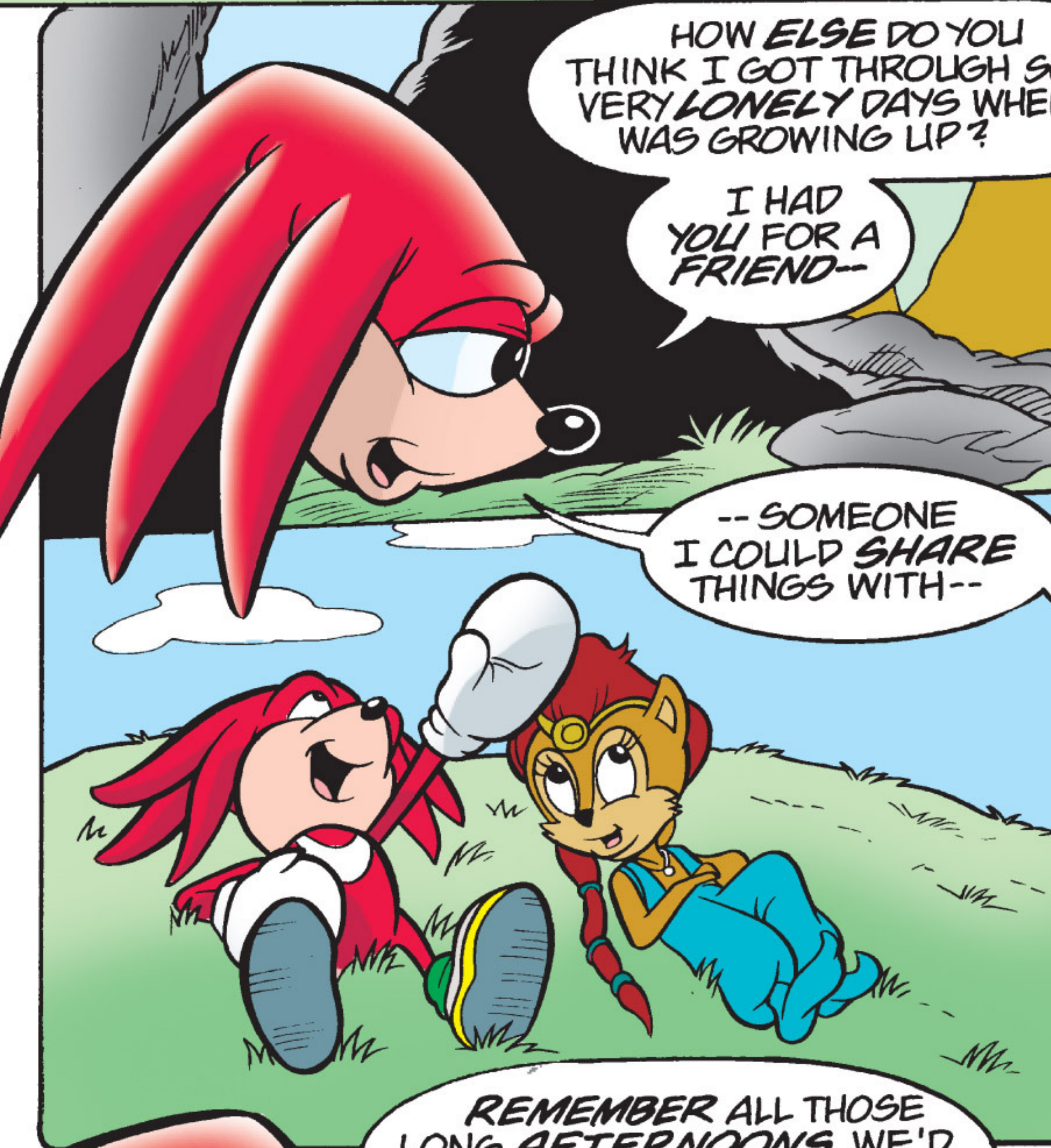
LOOK AT IT THIS WAY--

--IT'S A *STRANGE* WORLD OUT THERE--



--BUT AS LONG AS YOU KNOW WHO YOUR *FRIENDS* ARE--

--YOU CAN GET THROUGH ANYTHING!



HOW *ELSE* DO YOU THINK I GOT THROUGH SOME VERY *LOVELY* DAYS WHEN I WAS GROWING UP?

I HAD YOU FOR A *FRIEND*--

--SOMEONE I COULD *SHARE* THINGS WITH--

--NOT TO MENTION SOMEONE I COULD *RELATE* TO!

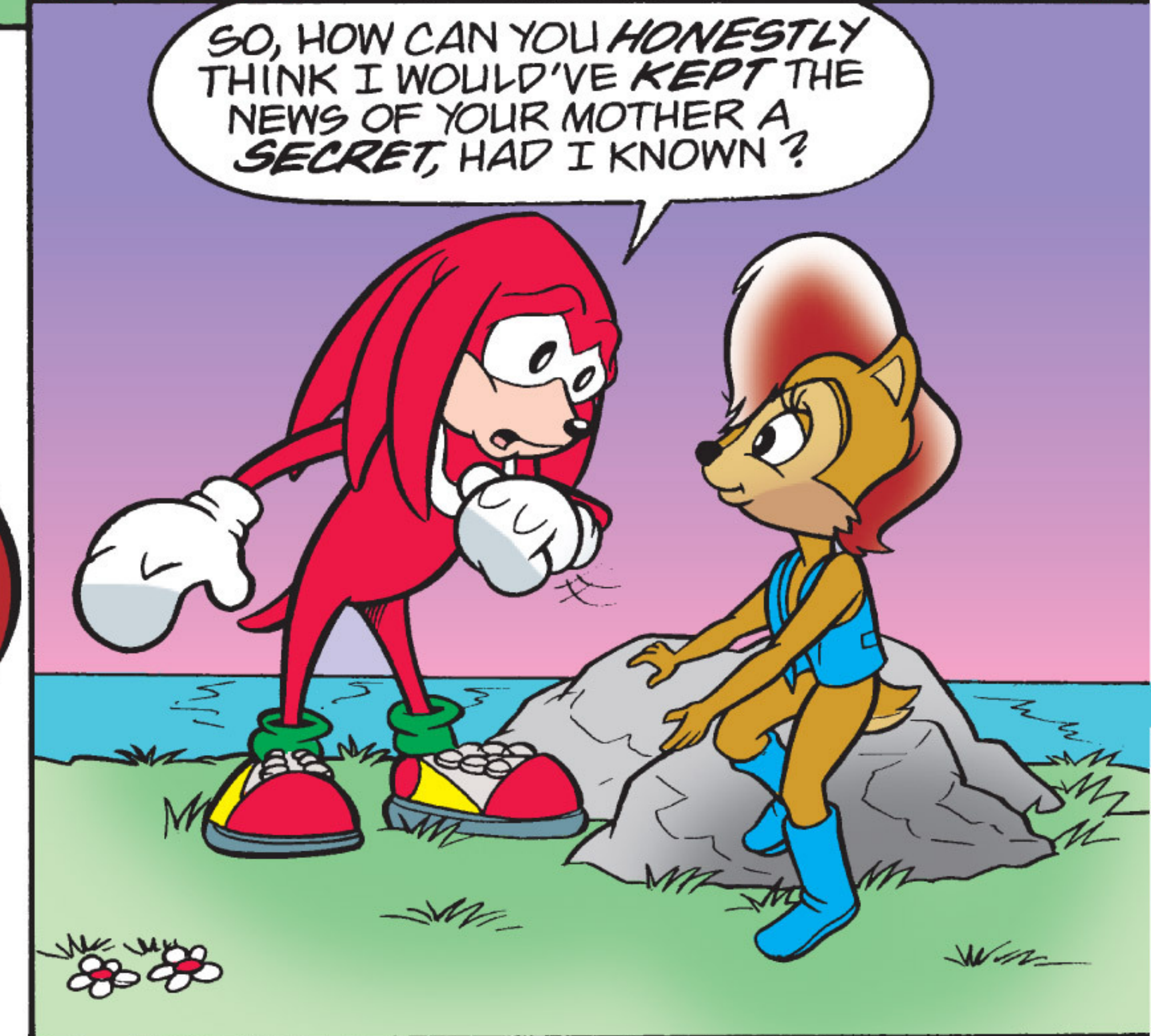


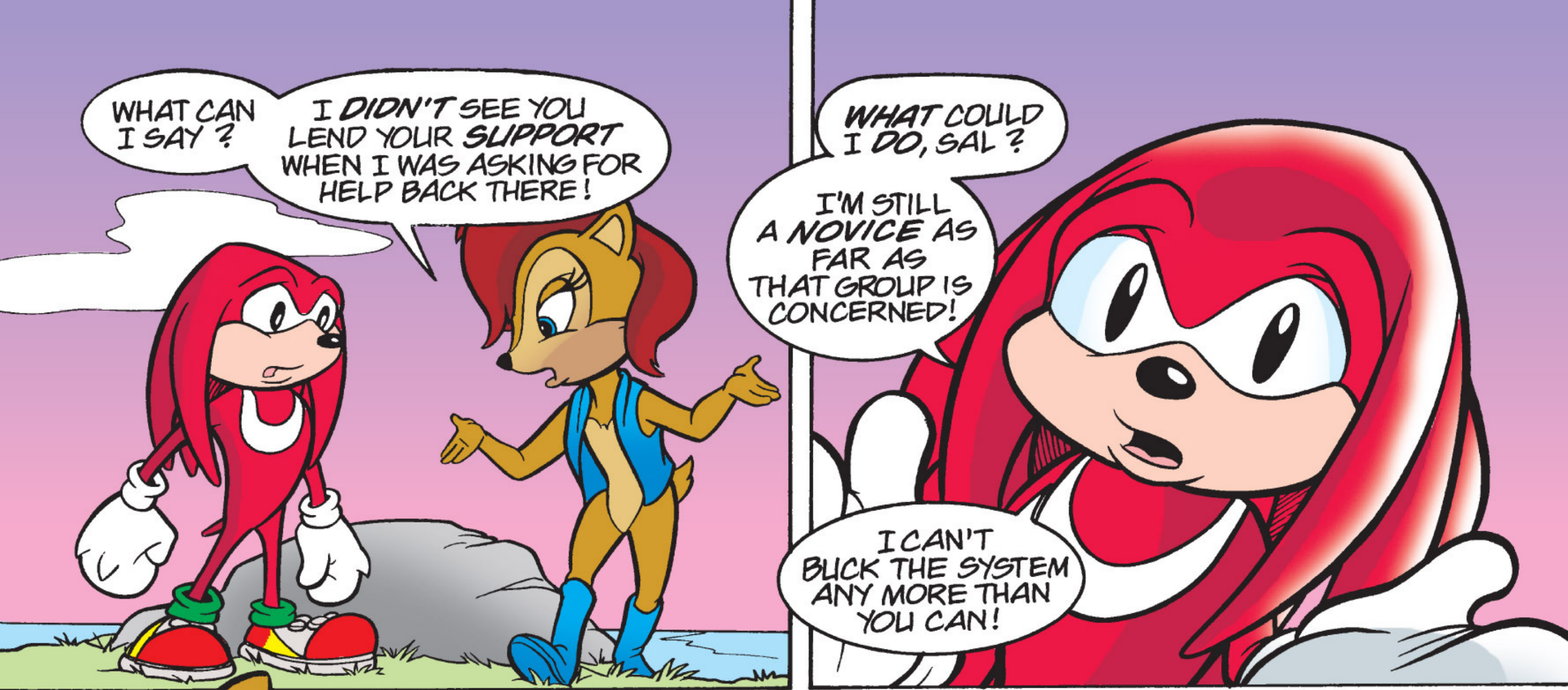
REMEMBER ALL THOSE LONG *AFTERNOONS* WE'D PLAY GAMES AND TALK ABOUT STUFF?

HOW COULD I FORGET?



SO, HOW CAN YOU *HONESTLY* THINK I WOULD'VE KEPT THE NEWS OF YOUR MOTHER A *SECRET*, HAD I KNOWN?





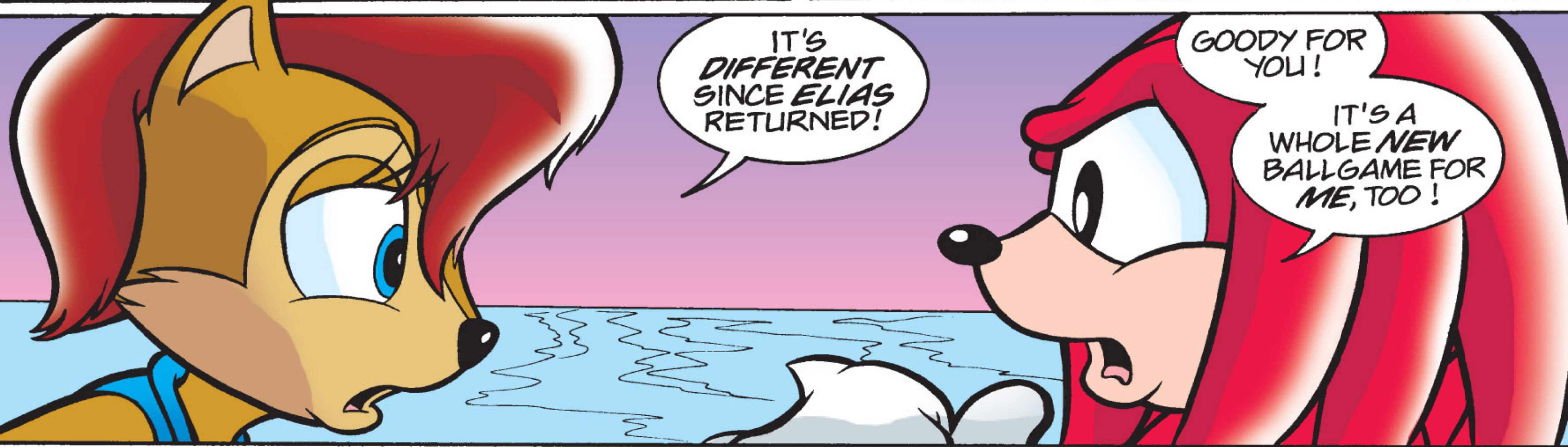
WHAT CAN I SAY?

I *DIDN'T* SEE YOU LEND YOUR *SUPPORT* WHEN I WAS ASKING FOR HELP BACK THERE!

WHAT COULD I DO, SAL?

I'M STILL A *NOVICE* AS FAR AS THAT GROUP IS CONCERNED!

I CAN'T BUCK THE SYSTEM ANY MORE THAN YOU CAN!



IT'S *DIFFERENT* SINCE *ELIAS* RETURNED!

GOODY FOR YOU!

IT'S A *WHOLE NEW* BALLGAME FOR *ME*, TOO!



SALLY, I FULLY *BELIEVE* THE BROTHERHOOD SHOULD JOIN THE *FIGHT* AGAINST ROBO-ROBOTNIK!

YOU DO?

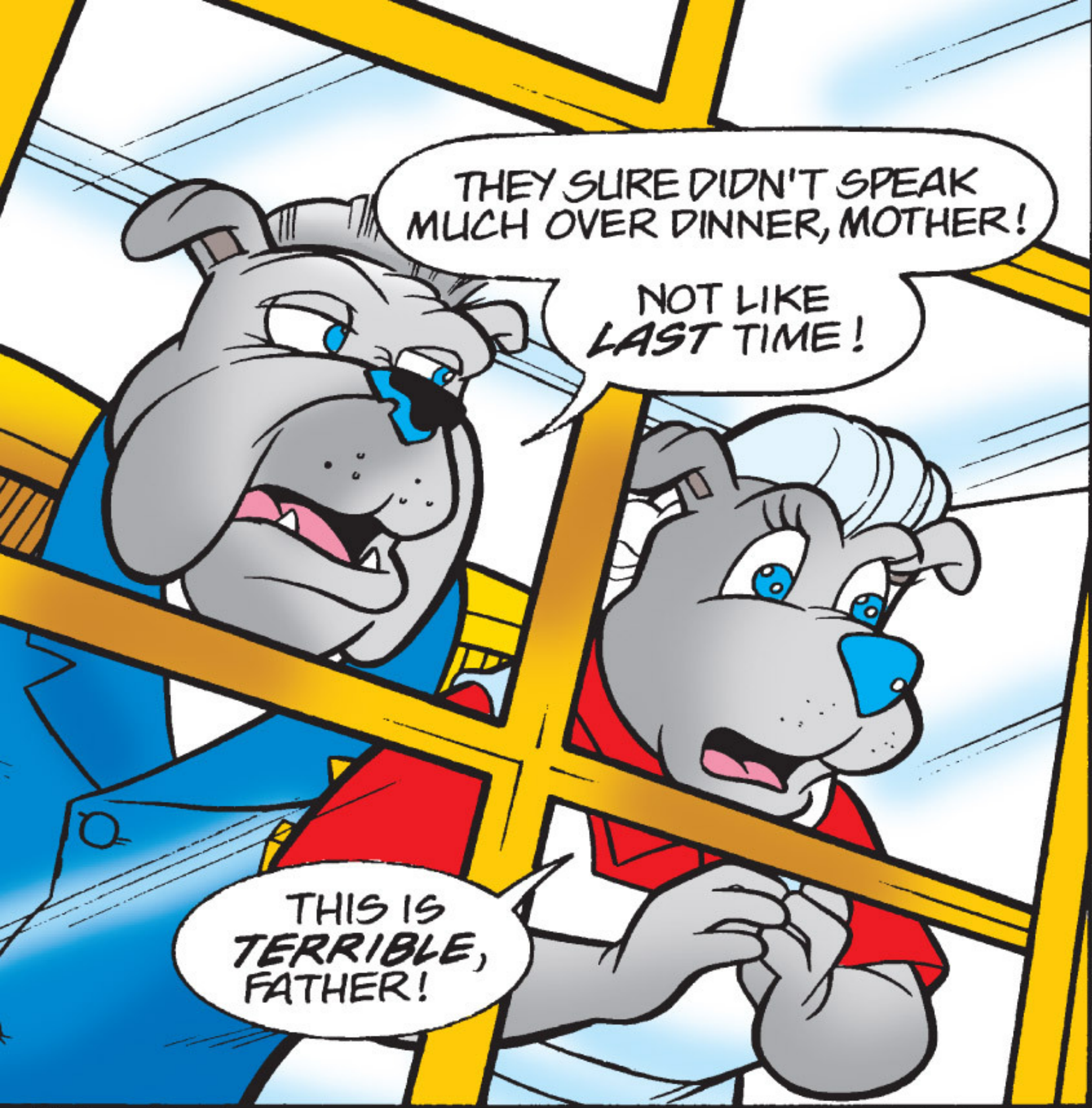
WHAT DO YOU THINK, SILLY?

OF COURSE I DO--



--BUT I CAN'T *CONVINCE* THEM UNTIL I FIGURE OUT HOW TO COUNTER OVER 400 YEARS OF ECHIDNA *HISTORY* AND *TRADITION*!

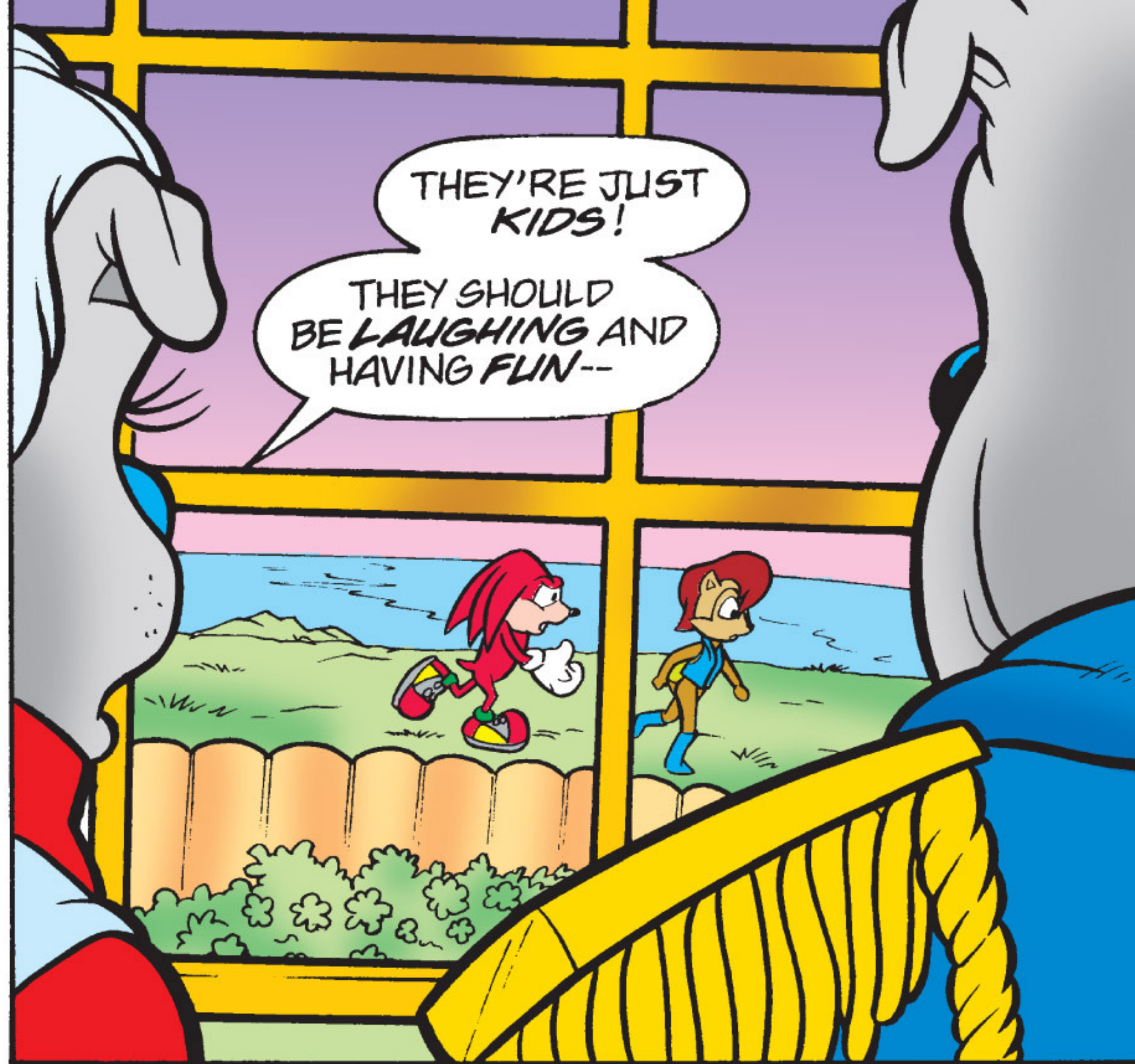
SO, WHAT DO WE DO IN THE *MEANTIME* WHILE YOU PLAY APPRENTICE?



THEY SURE DIDN'T SPEAK MUCH OVER DINNER, MOTHER!

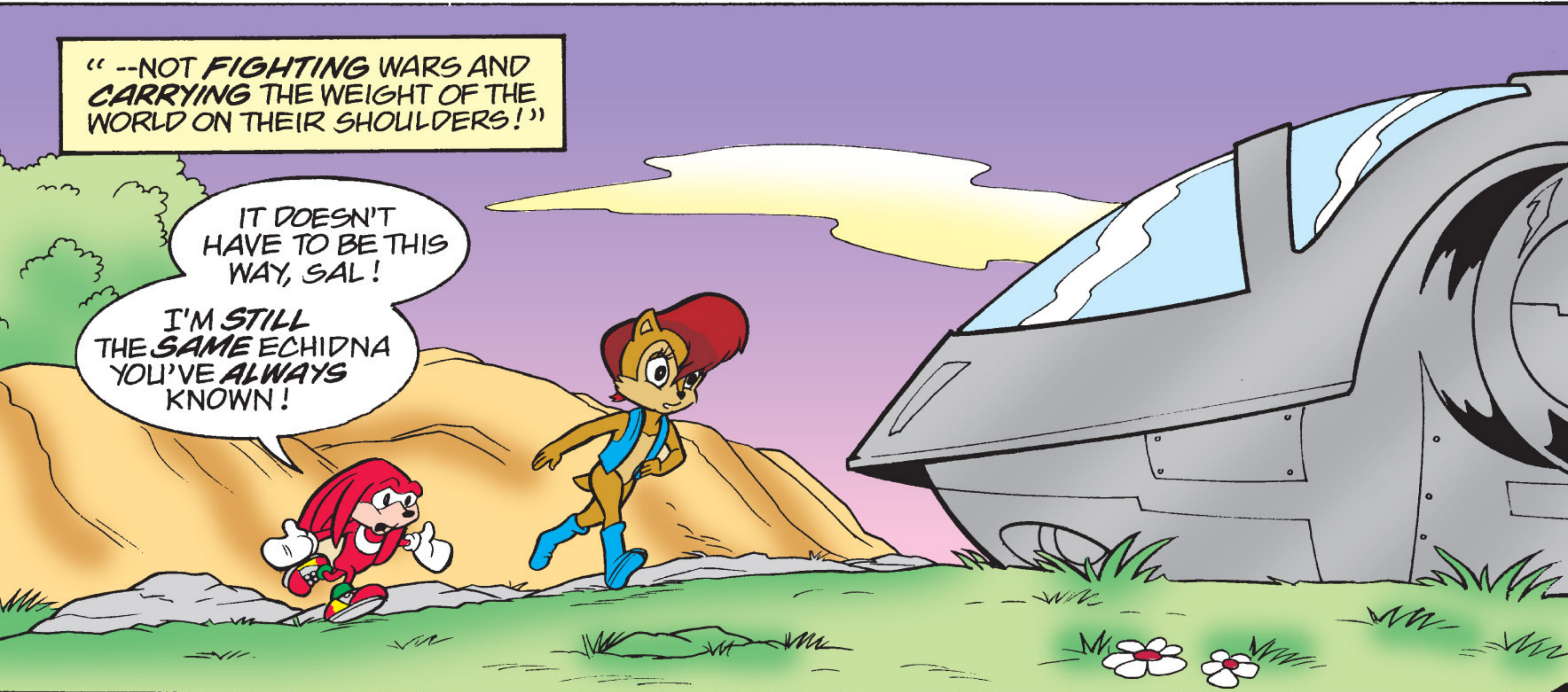
NOT LIKE LAST TIME!

THIS IS TERRIBLE, FATHER!



THEY'RE JUST KIDS!

THEY SHOULD BE LAUGHING AND HAVING FUN--



"--NOT FIGHTING WARS AND CARRYING THE WEIGHT OF THE WORLD ON THEIR SHOULDERS!"

IT DOESN'T HAVE TO BE THIS WAY, SAL!

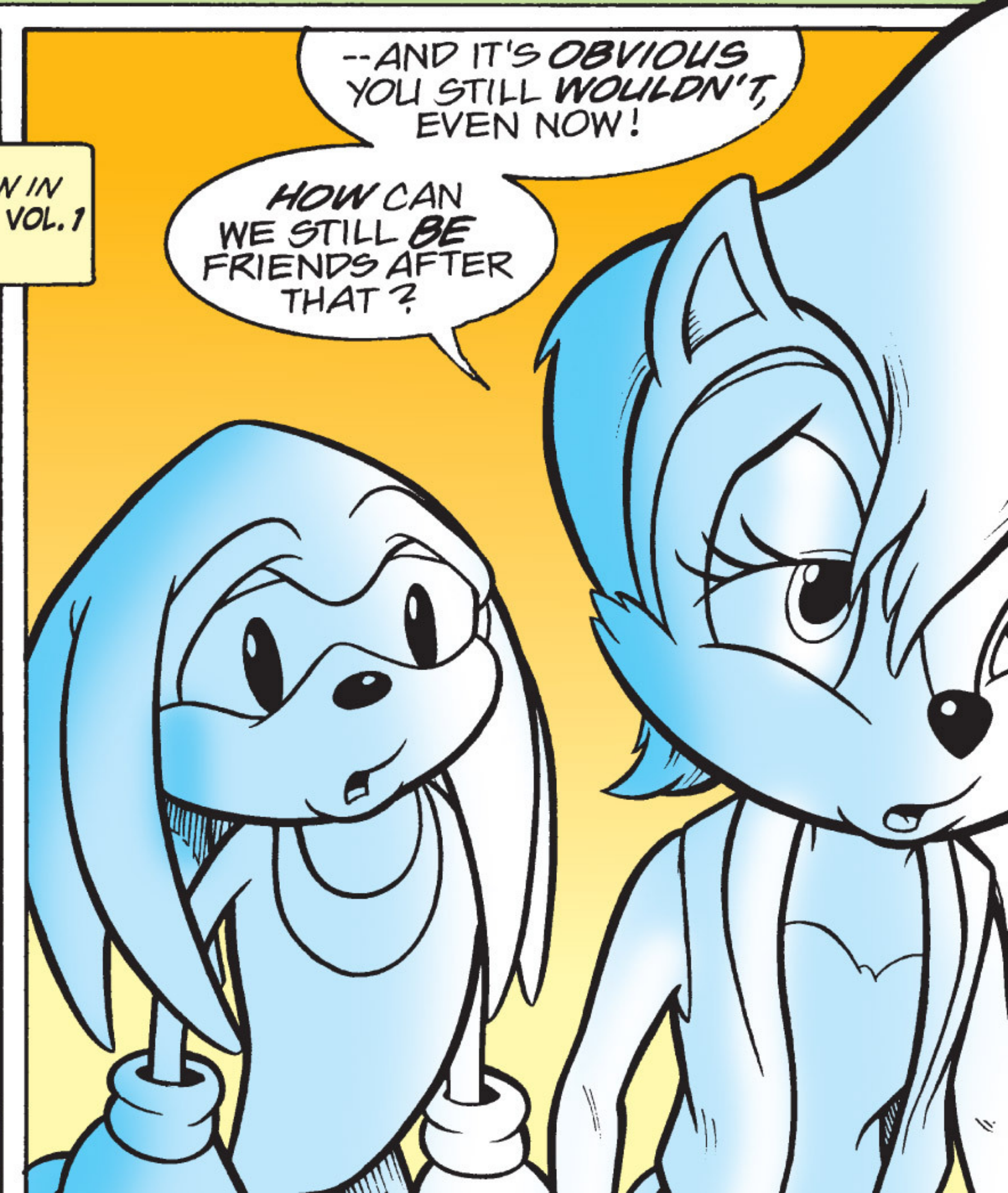
I'M STILL THE SAME ECHIDNA YOU'VE ALWAYS KNOWN!



MAYBE THAT'S THE PROBLEM, AND MAYBE I SHOULD'VE SEEN IT BEFORE!

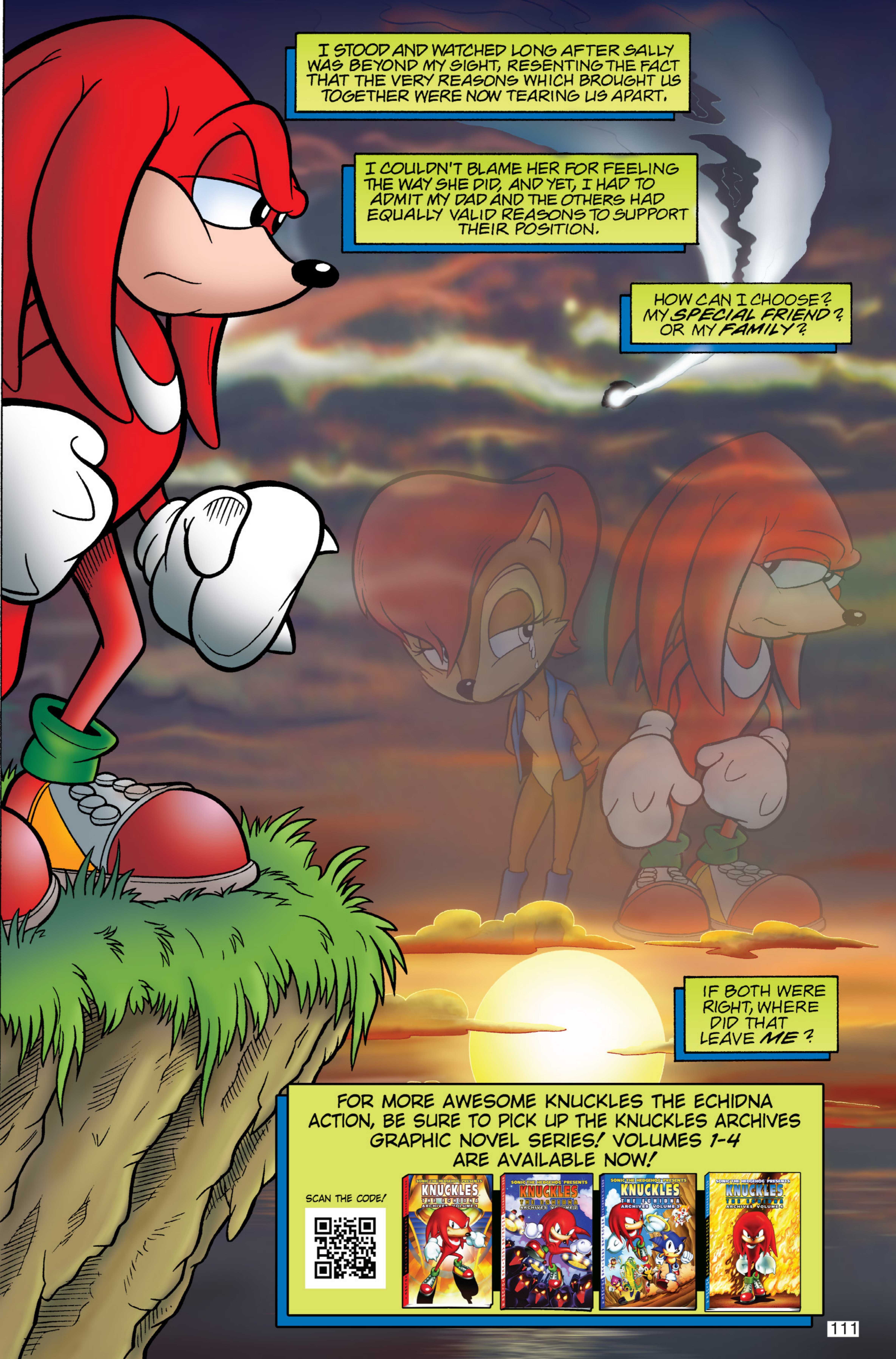
YOU DIDN'T JOIN US BACK WHEN WE ASKED YOU TO--*

*WAY BACK WHEN IN SONIC SELECT VOL. 1
-- EDITOR.



--AND IT'S OBVIOUS YOU STILL WOULDN'T, EVEN NOW!

HOW CAN WE STILL BE FRIENDS AFTER THAT?



I STOOD AND WATCHED LONG AFTER SALLY WAS BEYOND MY SIGHT, RESENTING THE FACT THAT THE VERY REASONS WHICH BROUGHT US TOGETHER WERE NOW TEARING US APART.

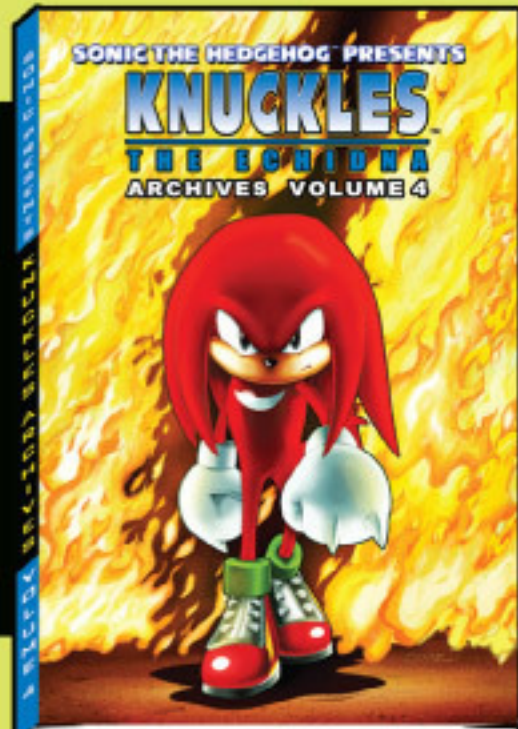
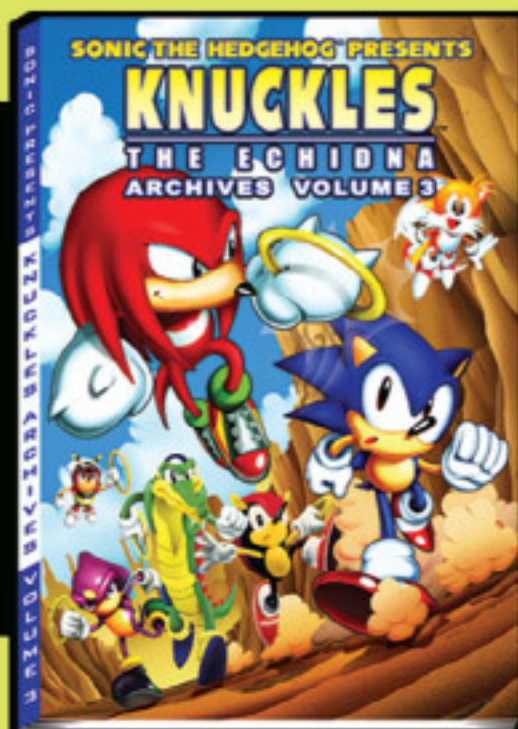
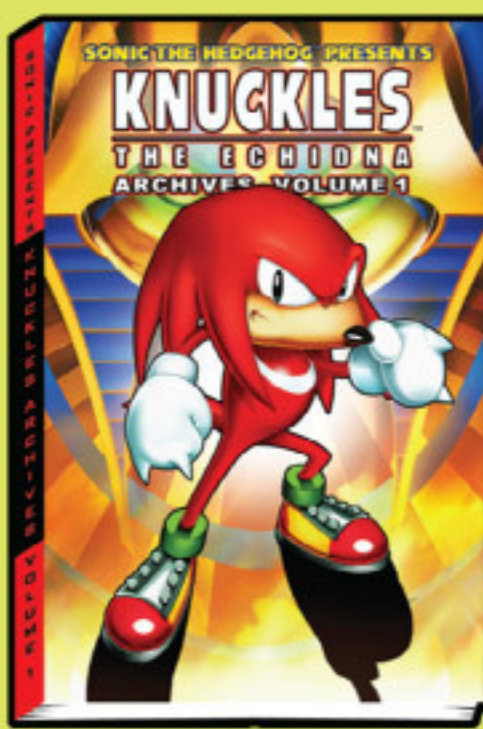
I COULDN'T BLAME HER FOR FEELING THE WAY SHE DID, AND YET, I HAD TO ADMIT MY DAD AND THE OTHERS HAD EQUALLY VALID REASONS TO SUPPORT THEIR POSITION.

HOW CAN I CHOOSE?
MY *SPECIAL FRIEND*?
OR MY *FAMILY*?

IF BOTH WERE RIGHT, WHERE DID THAT LEAVE *ME*?

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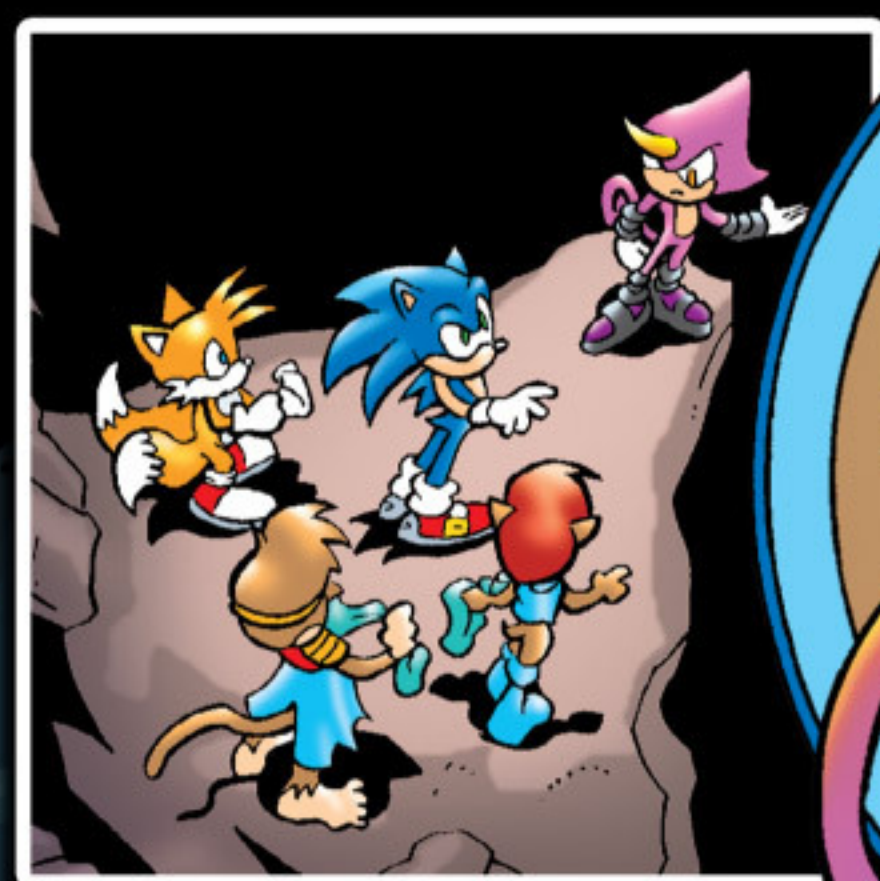
IT'S TOUGH BEING

SONIC

THE HEDGEHOG

THESE DAYS...

...THE IRON DOMINION
USED THEIR EVIL
TECHNOLOGY TO INVADE
SONIC'S HOME. SONIC
FLED THE CITY AND
JOURNEYED TO THE
EAST WITH SALLY,
MONKEY KHAN, AND
TAILS TO CUT OFF
SUPPORT FOR THE
DOMINION FROM
ABROAD. OUR HEROES
MET UP WITH ESPIO THE
CHAMELEON AND WERE
SUCCESSFUL IN THEIR
MISSION.



SONIC AND HIS
FRIENDS THEN
RETURNED HOME TO
FREE HIS CITY ONCE
AND FOR ALL, BUT NOW
THE CITIZENS OF NEW
MOBOTROPOLIS ARE
MORE DISTRUSTFUL OF
TECHNOLOGY THAN
EVER...



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ON SALE
NOW!



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...AND ASIDE FROM THE USUAL YAGYU RAIDS, THINGS HAVE BEEN GOING WELL.

STORMTOP VILLAGE--
DRAGON KINGDOM.

THE OTHER CLANS HAVE BEEN COOPERATING?



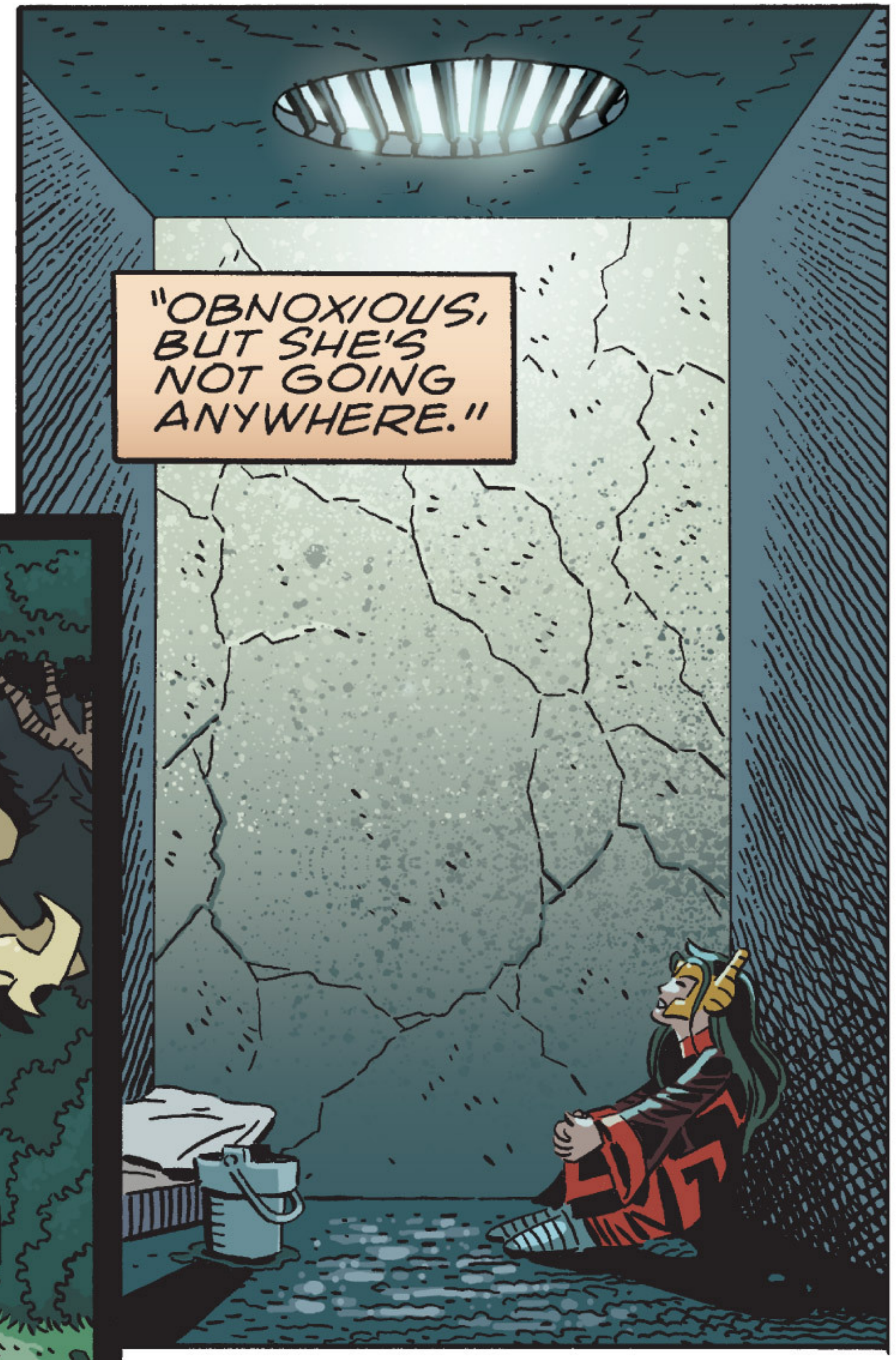
OH, THEY'RE STILL BICKERING AND POSTURING AND BLAH, BLAH, BLAH!

POLITICS ARE NEVER EASY.

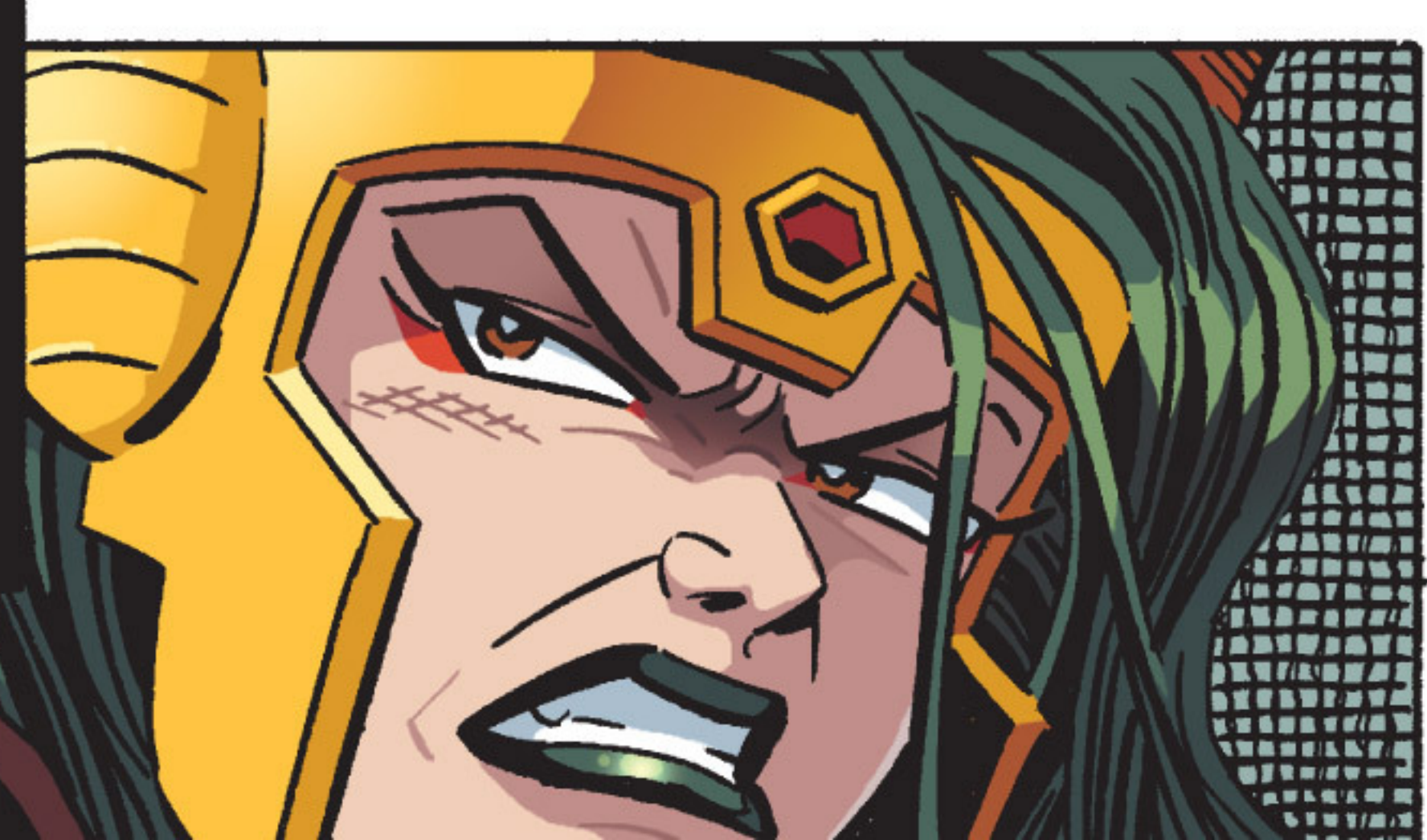
YEAH, YEAH, BUT THE FREE PEOPLE ARE LIVING IN PEACE, SO I CAN'T REALLY COMPLAIN.



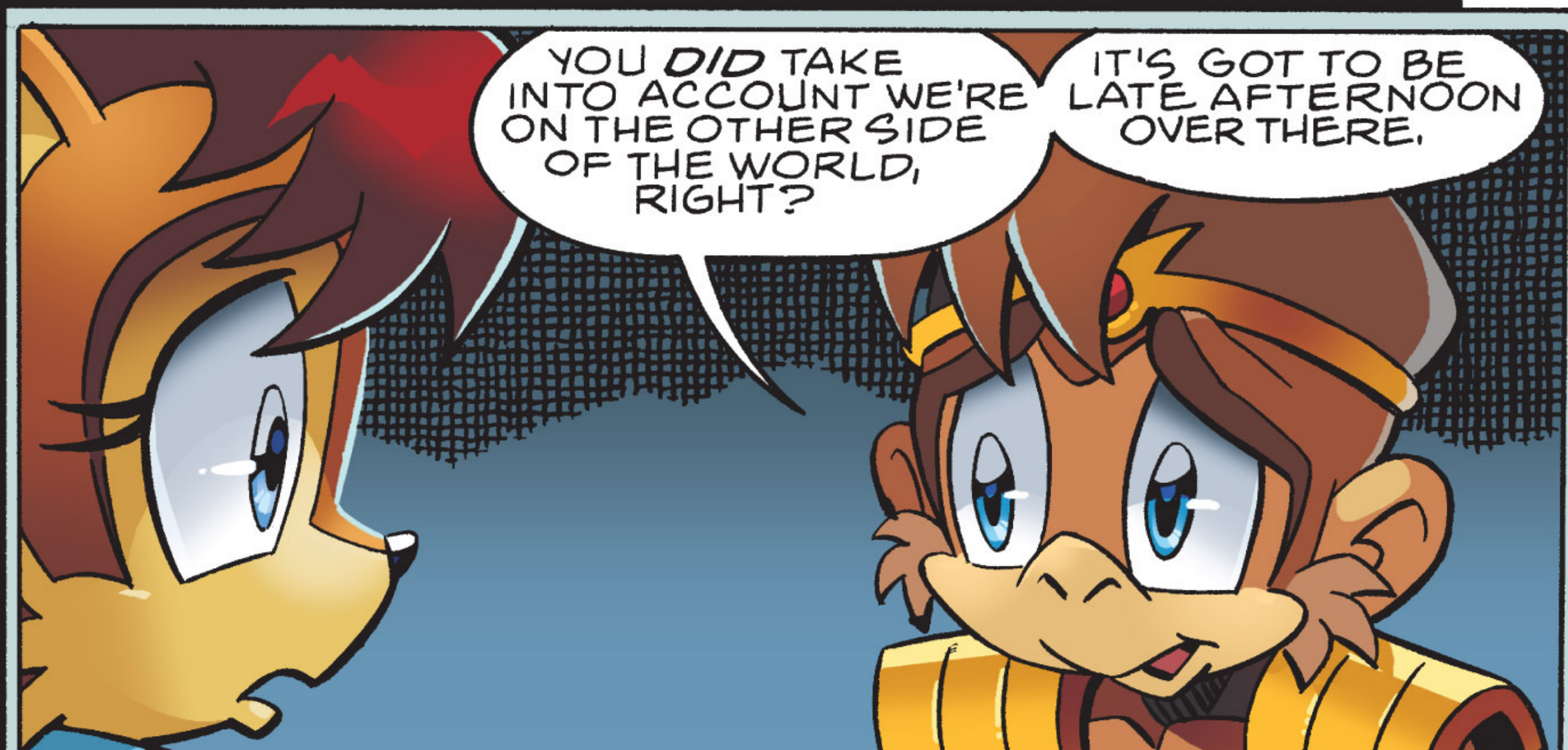
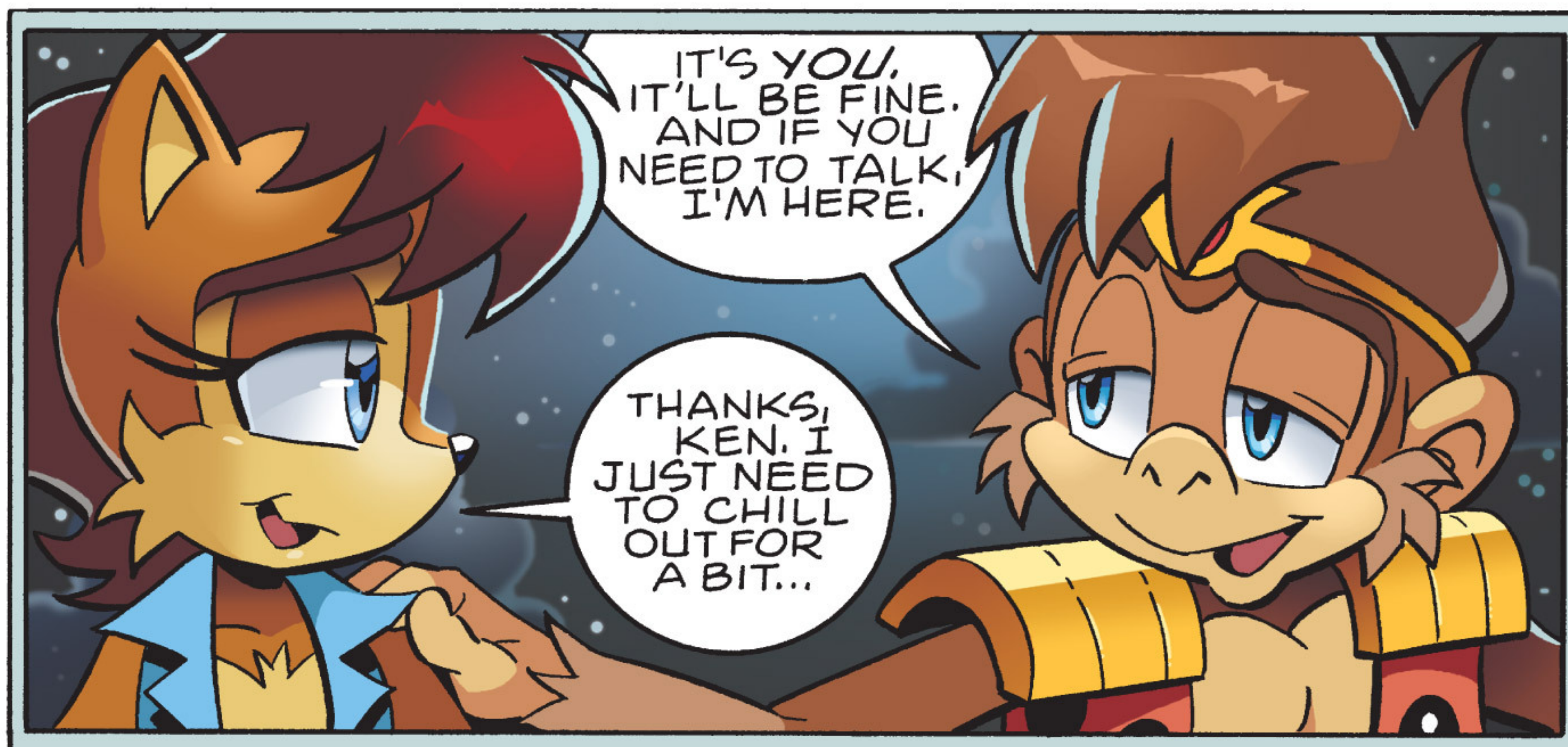
AND THE IRON QUEEN?

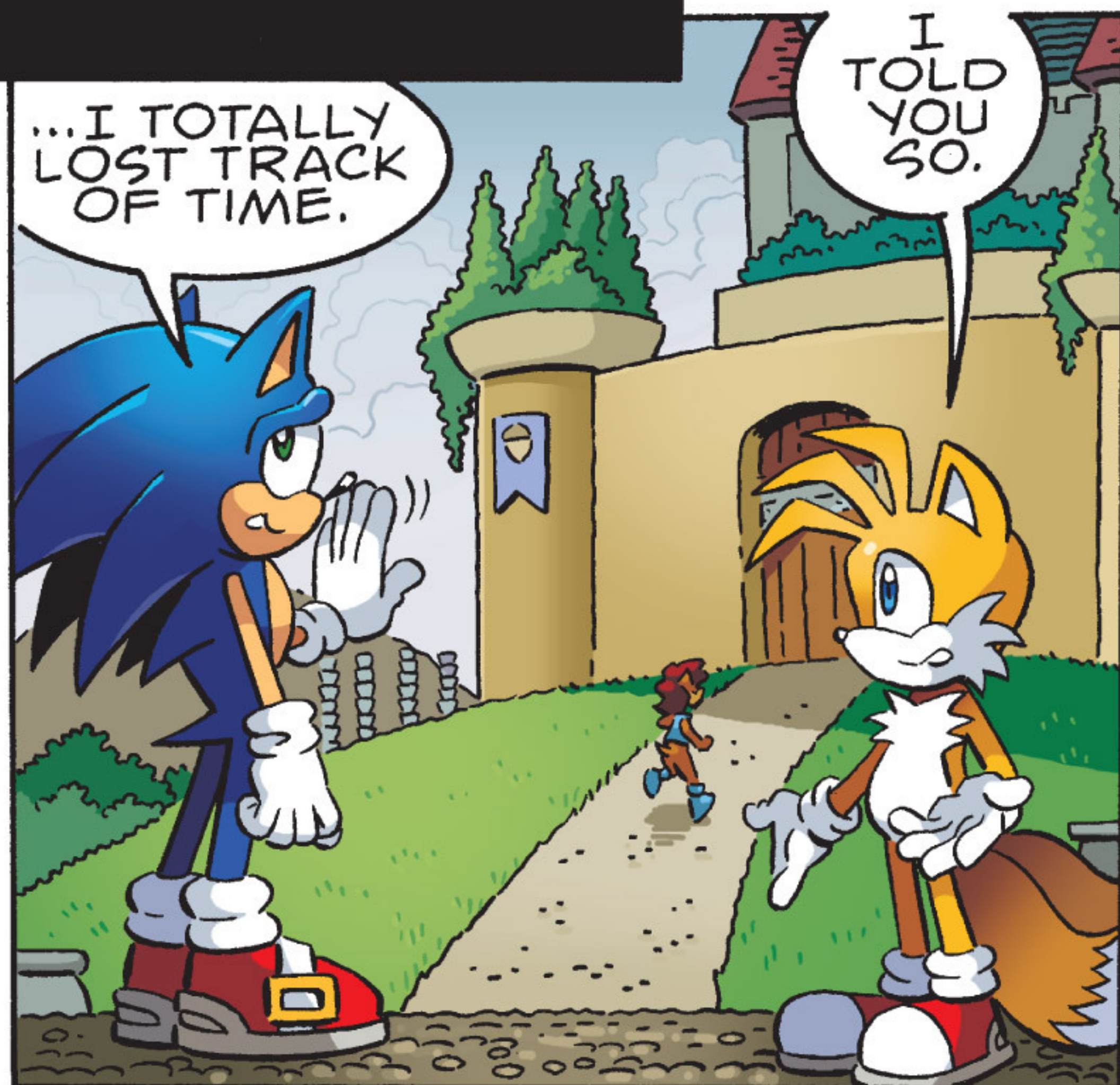
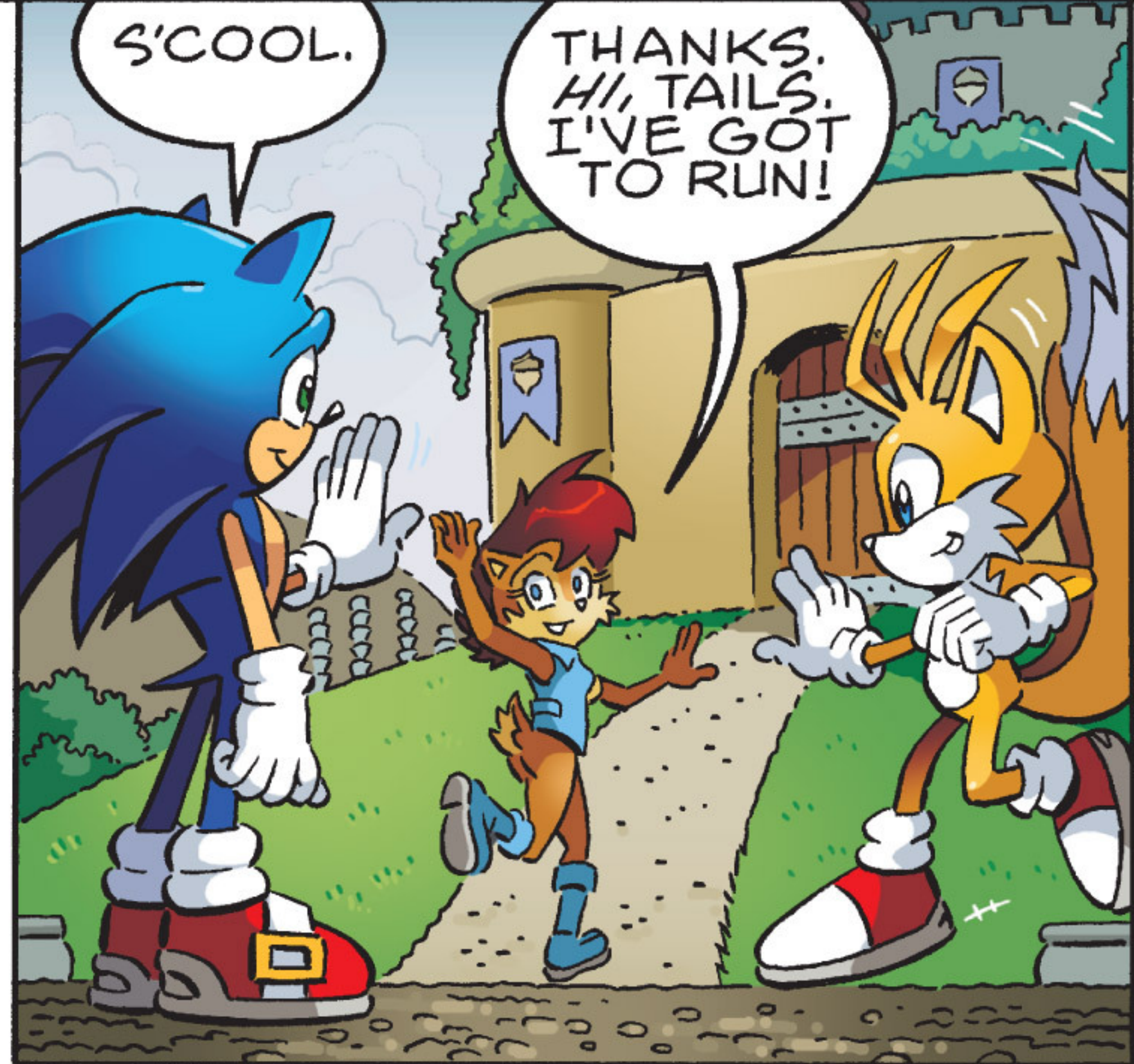
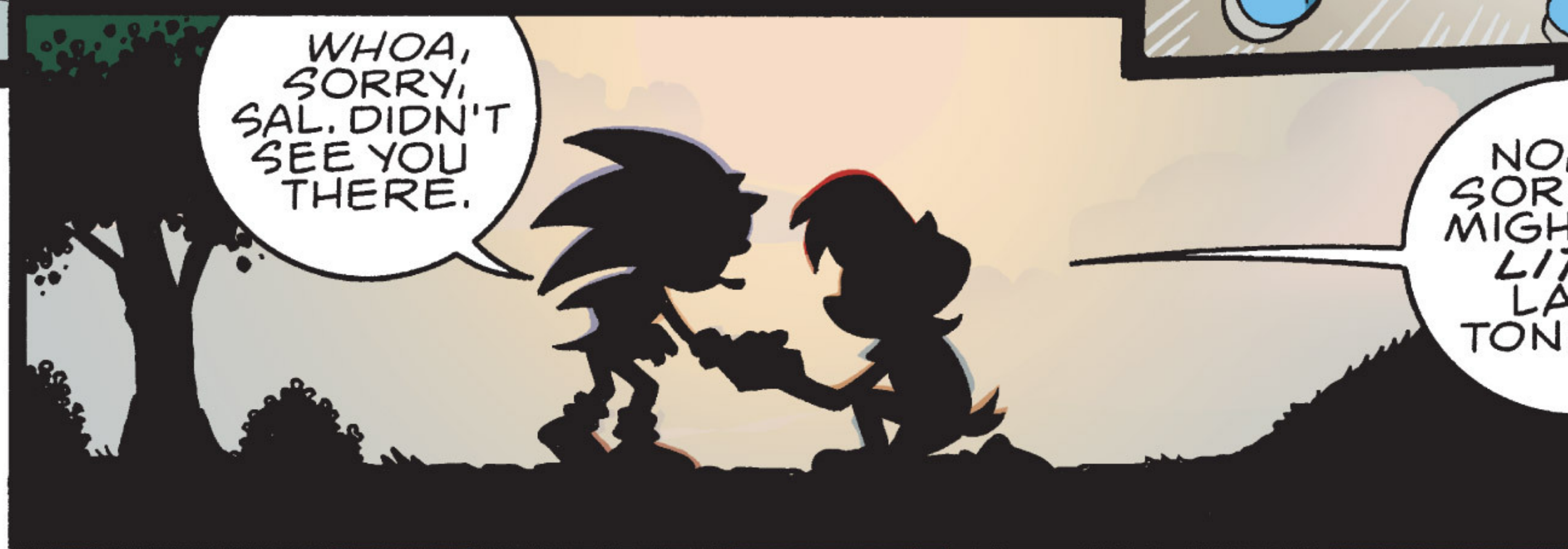
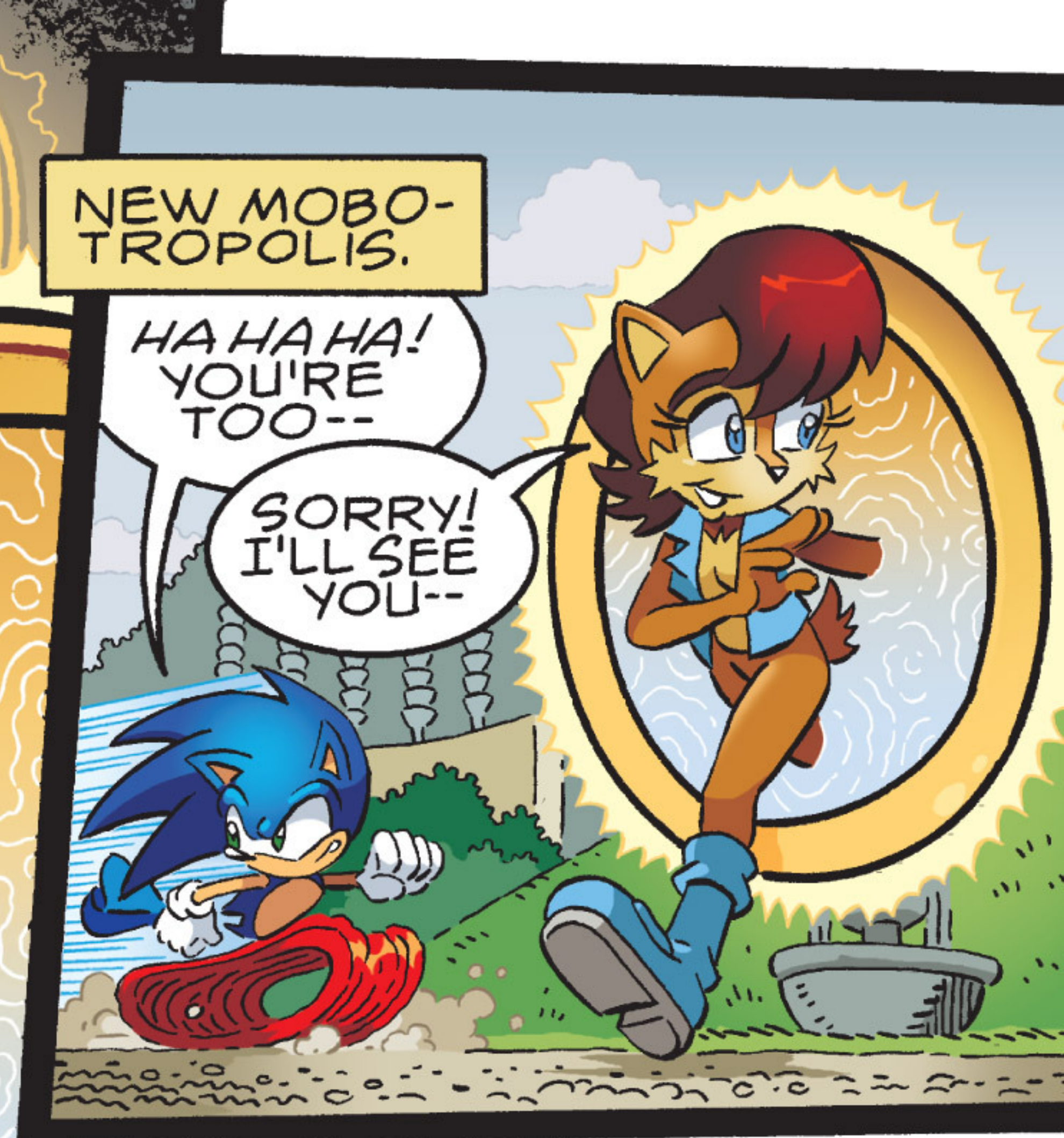


"OBNOXIOUS, BUT SHE'S NOT GOING ANYWHERE."



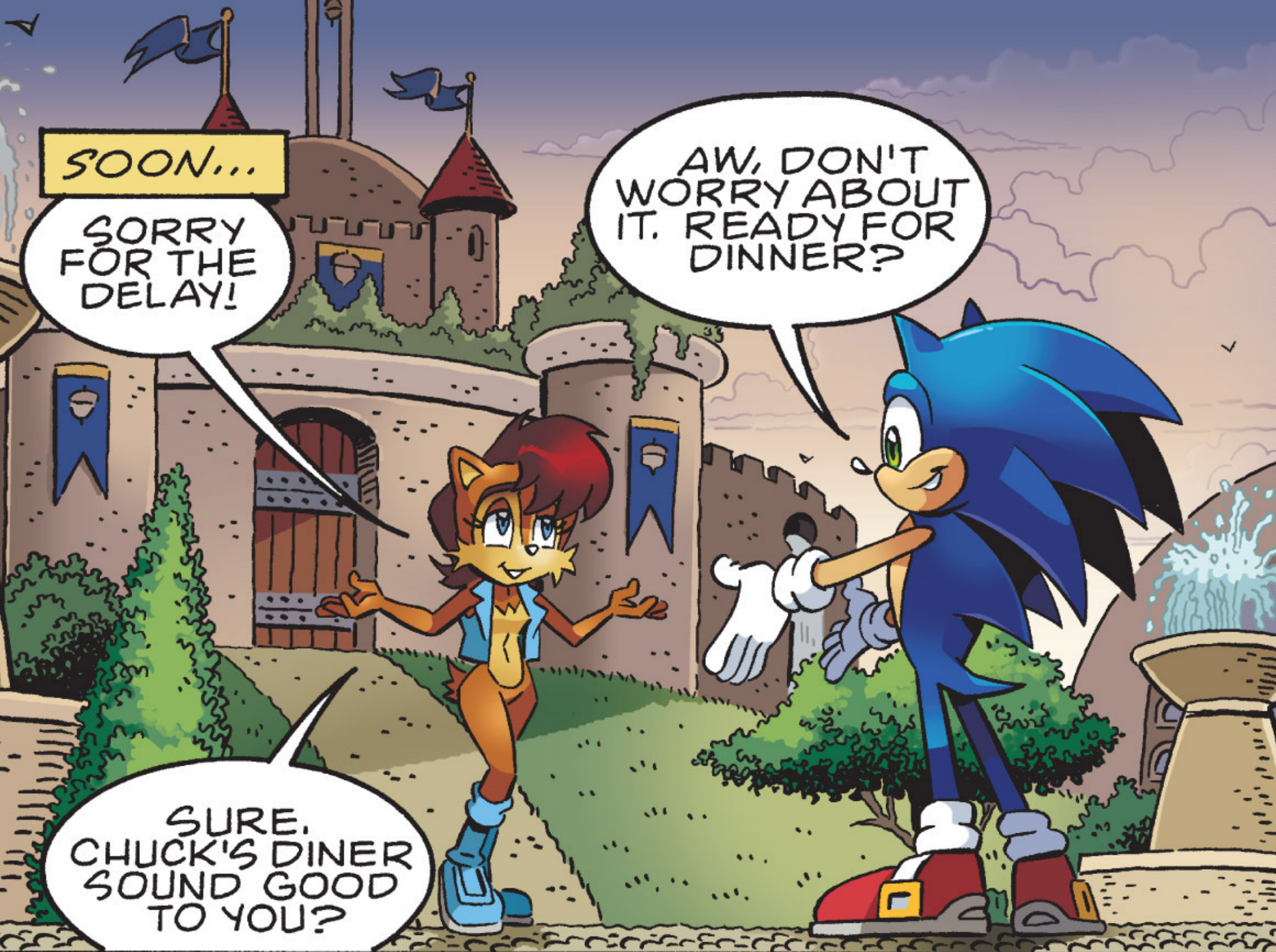












SOON...

SORRY FOR THE DELAY!

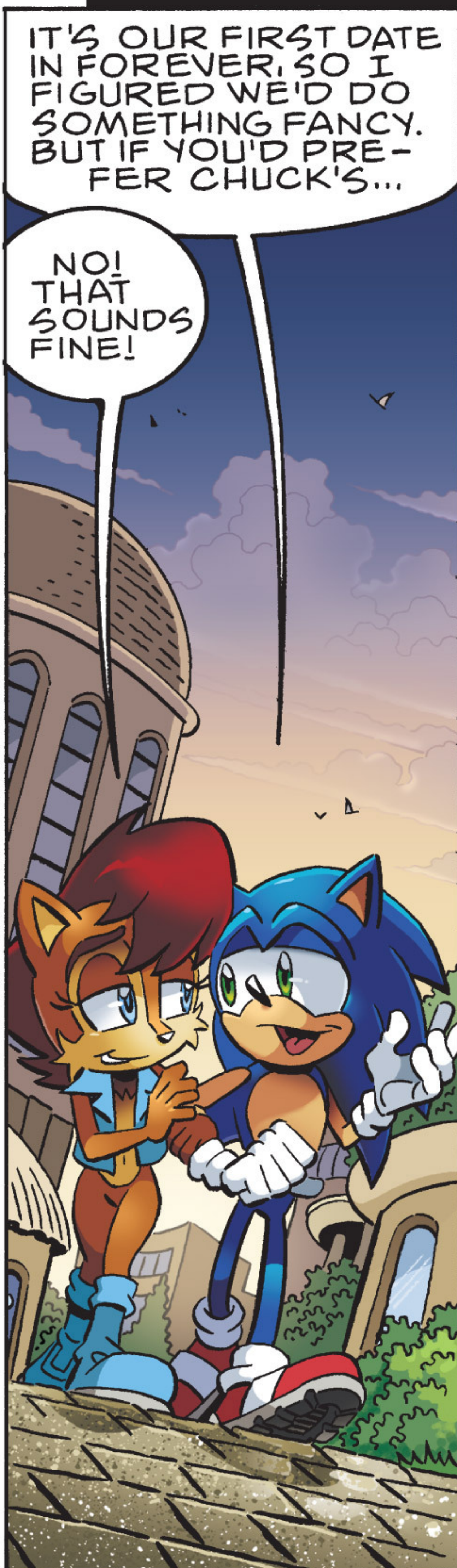
AW, DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT. READY FOR DINNER?

SURE. CHUCK'S DINER SOUND GOOD TO YOU?



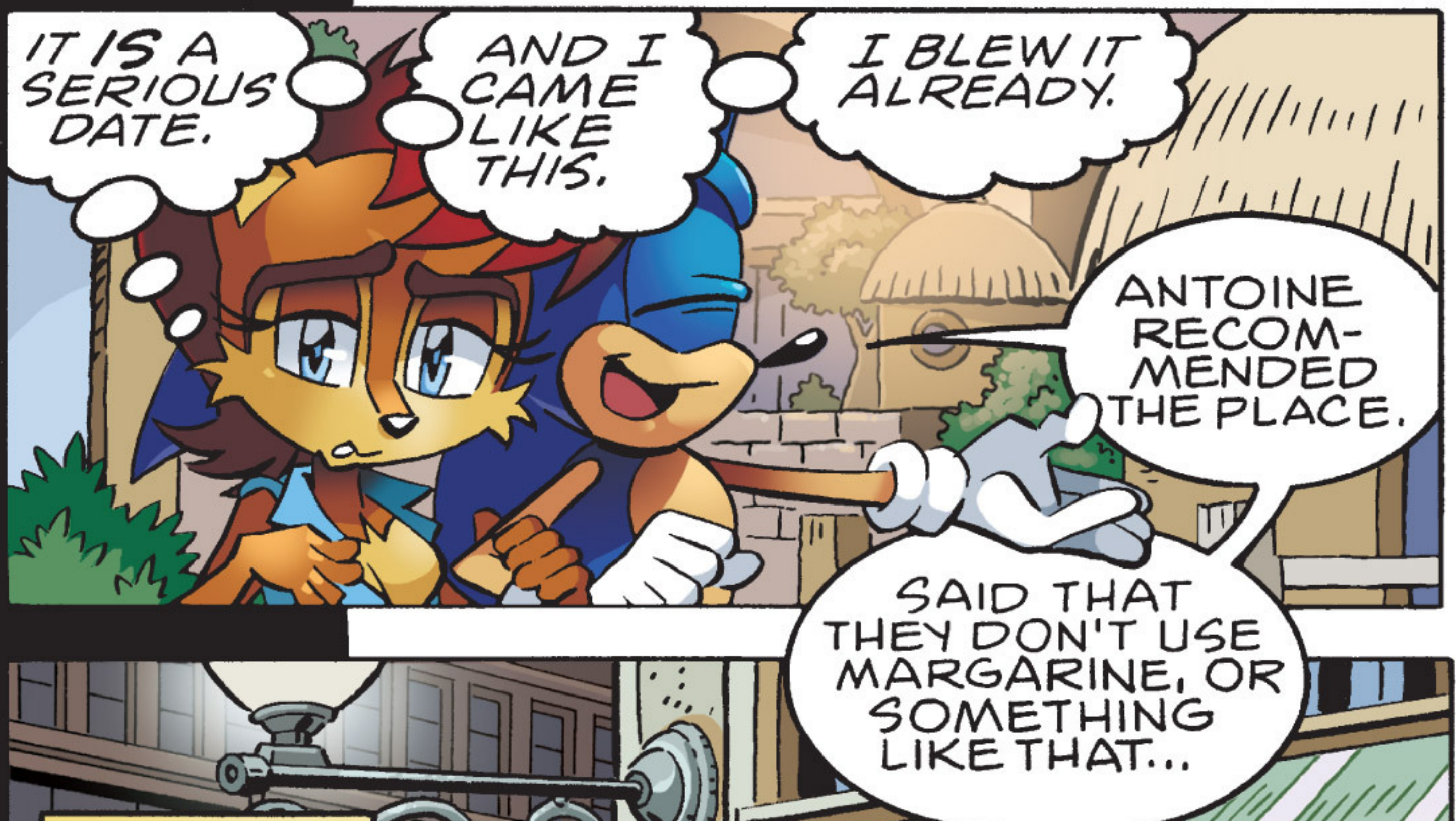
NORMALLY, YEAH, BUT I GOT US RESERVATIONS AT CRÈME DE LA CRÈME.

YOU DID?



IT'S OUR FIRST DATE IN FOREVER, SO I FIGURED WE'D DO SOMETHING FANCY. BUT IF YOU'D PREFER CHUCK'S...

NO! THAT SOUNDS FINE!



IT IS A SERIOUS DATE.

AND I CAME LIKE THIS.

I BLEW IT ALREADY.

ANTOINE RECOMMENDED THE PLACE.

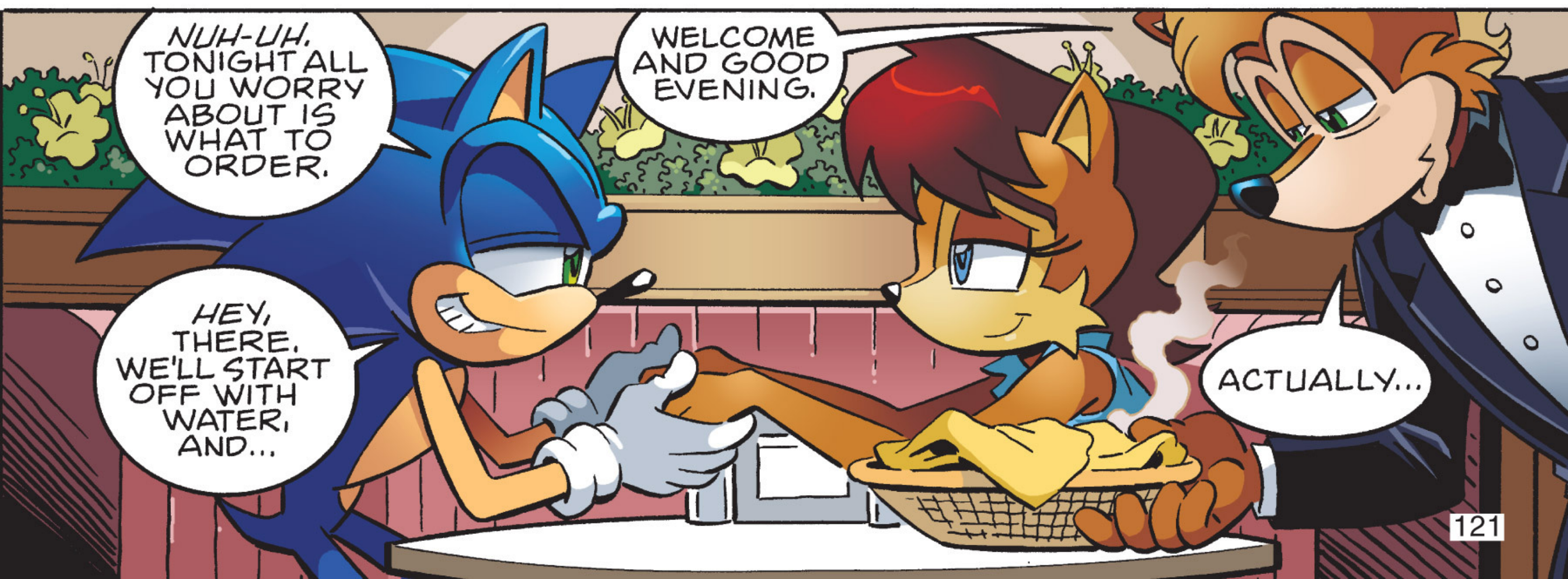
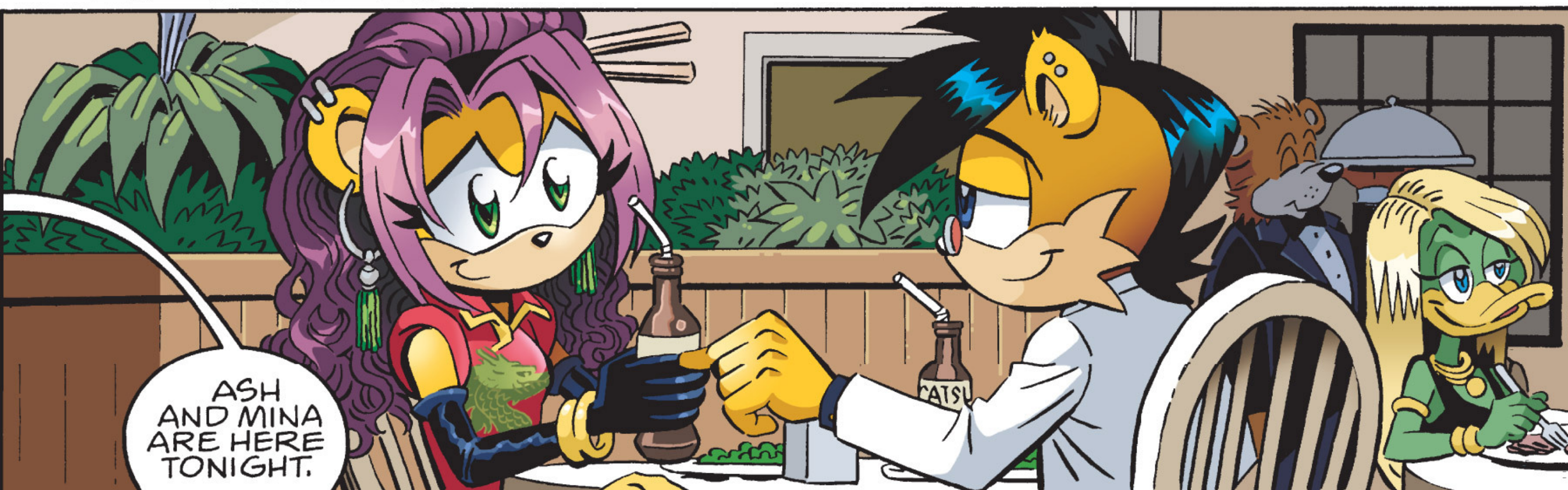
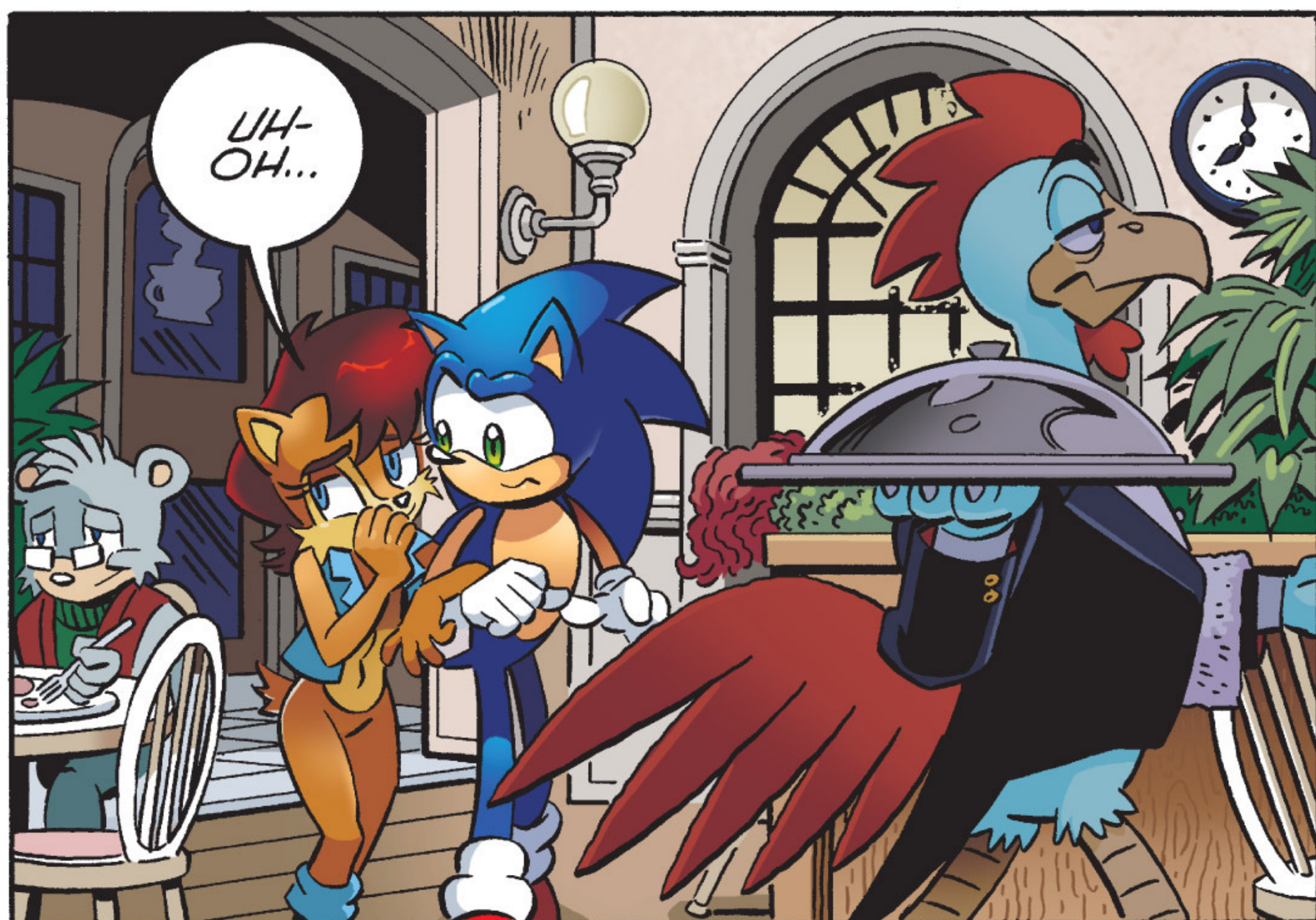
SAID THAT THEY DON'T USE MARGARINE, OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT...



AND SO...

RESERVATION FOR TWO, UNDER "SONIC."

I'M SORRY, SIR, I DON'T...



I WAS WONDERING
IF I MIGHT ASK YOU
SOMETHING FIRST.

UH...SURE.
SHOOT,

WHEN ARE THE
FREEDOM
FIGHTERS
GOING TO
PULL THE
PLUG ON
NICOLE?
Y'KNOW...
SINCE
SHE'S...

...A THREAT
TO THE CITY.

WE'RE
DOING
NO SUCH
THING.
WE--

YEAH! NICOLE IS
A FREEDOM
FIGHTER
TOO!

SHE HELPED
CAPTURE AND
LEGIONIZE
MOBIANS!

THE IRON QUEEN
WAS USING
MIND CONTROL,
DUH!

~~SIGH~~
LET'S GO,
ASH.

SURE. BUT NO
DESSERT?

"THIS ISN'T WHAT
MY MUSIC WAS
SUPPOSED TO
CREATE."

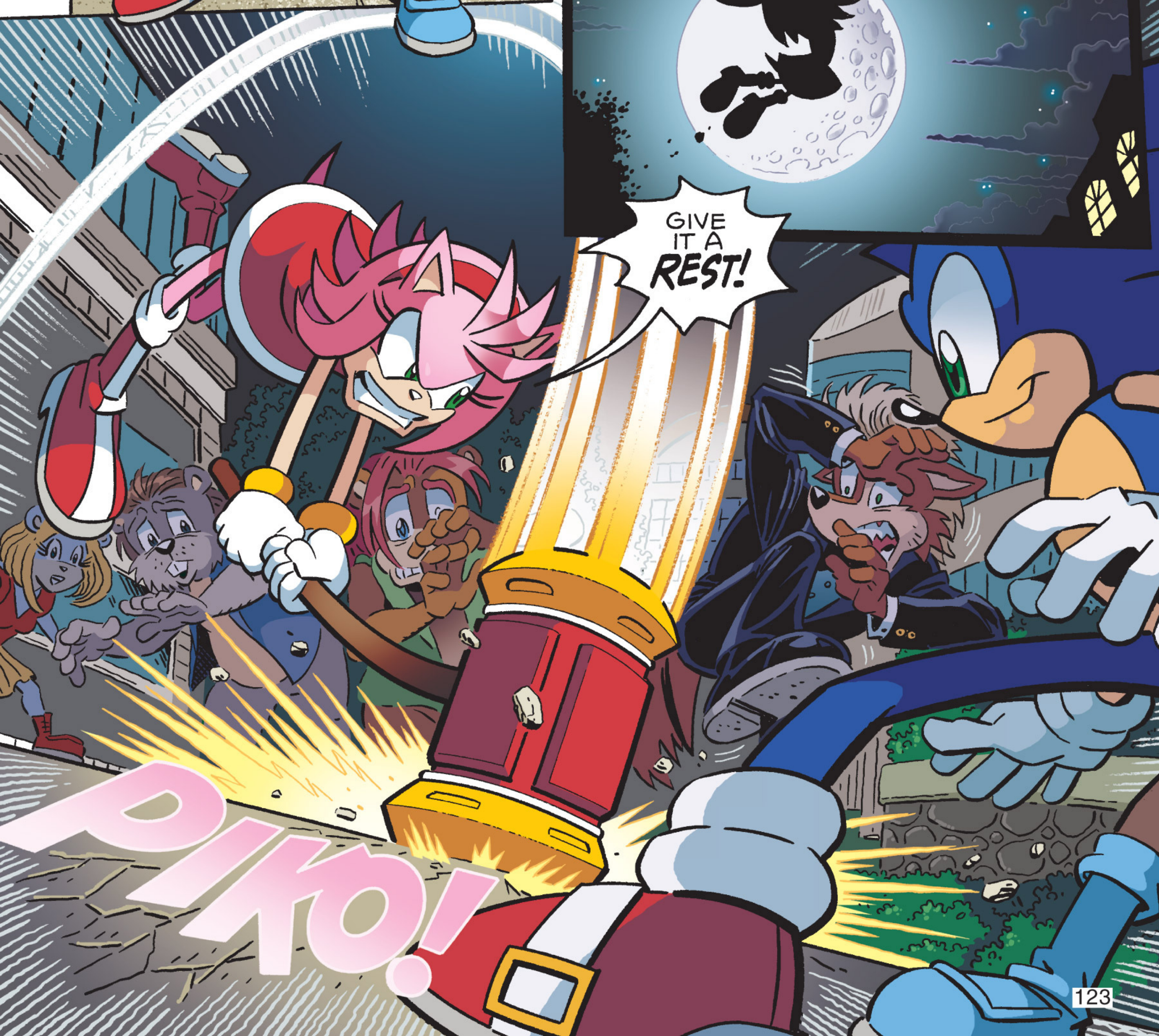
--THERE'S
STILL NO
EXCUSE FOR--

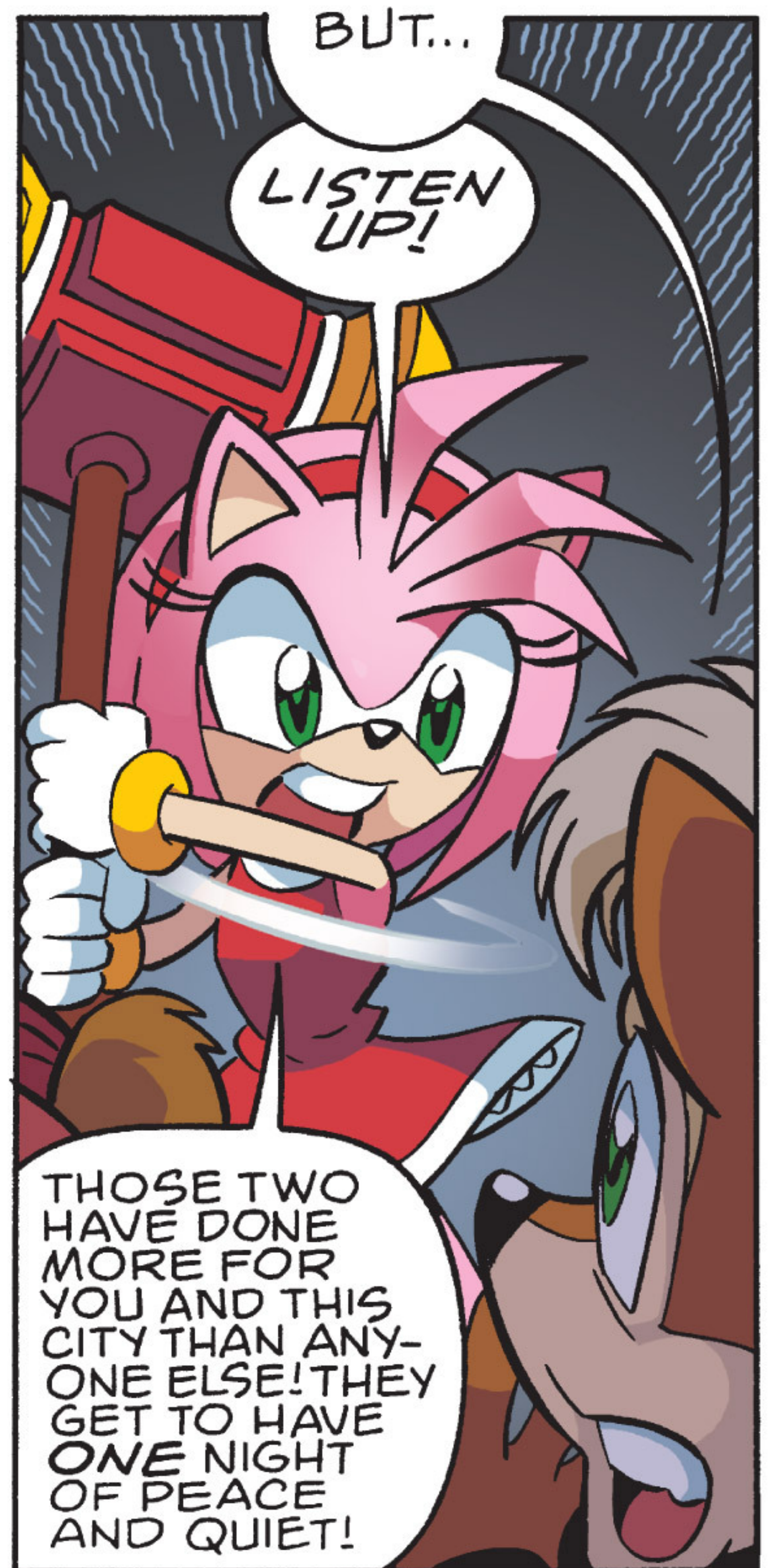
--YEAH,
WELL, I
THINK--

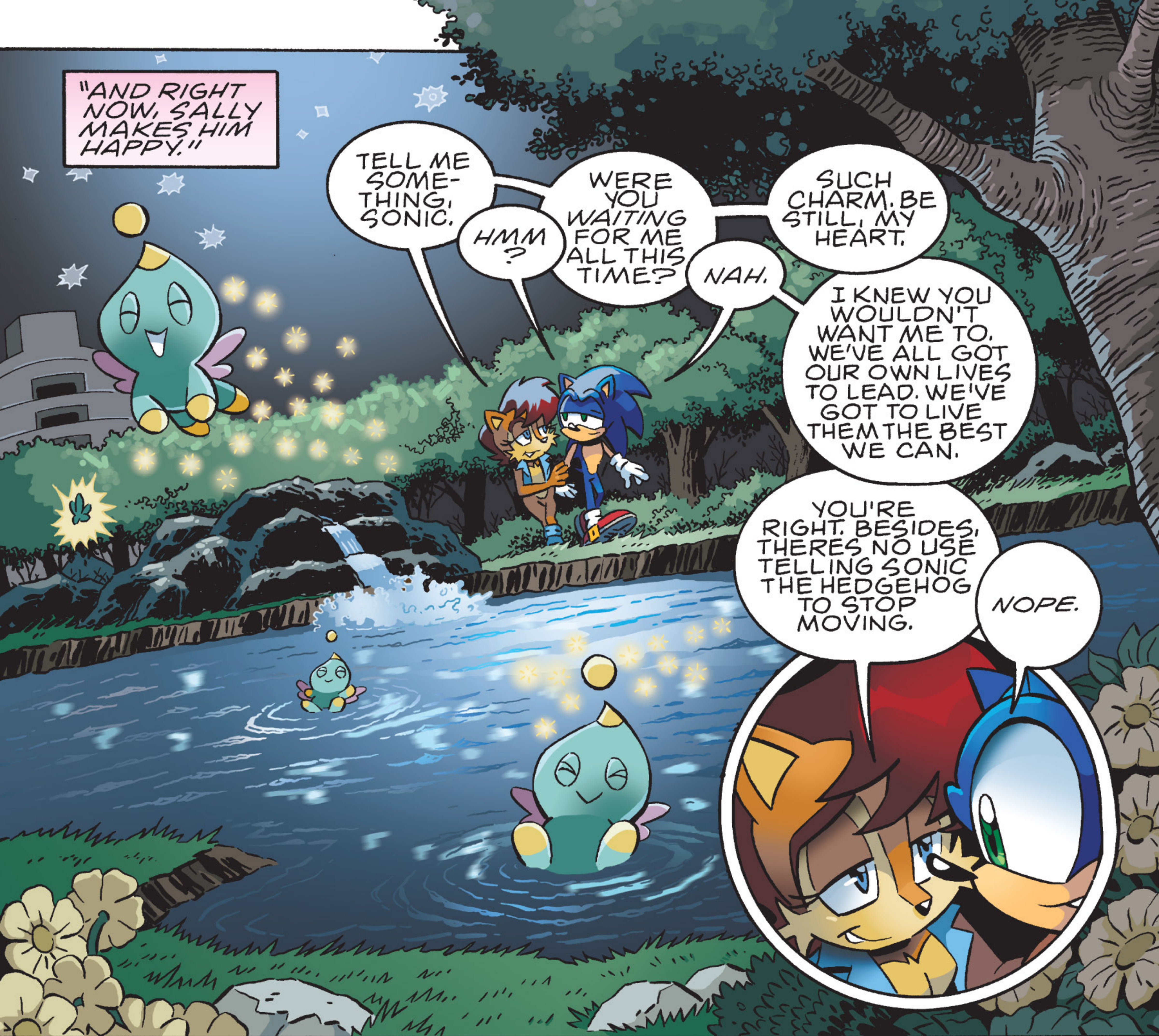
--SAVED
US ALL
BACK
WHEN--

--NEITHER
OF YOU
REALIZE
THAT--

I CAN'T.
NOT WITH *THAT*
GOING ON.







"AND RIGHT NOW, SALLY MAKES HIM HAPPY."

TELL ME SOMETHING, SONIC.

HMM?

WERE YOU WAITING FOR ME ALL THIS TIME?

NAH.

SUCH CHARM. BE STILL, MY HEART.

I KNEW YOU WOULDN'T WANT ME TO. WE'VE ALL GOT OUR OWN LIVES TO LEAD. WE'VE GOT TO LIVE THEM THE BEST WE CAN.

YOU'RE RIGHT. BESIDES, THERES NO USE TELLING SONIC THE HEDGEHOG TO STOP MOVING.

NOPE.



BUT... FIONA?

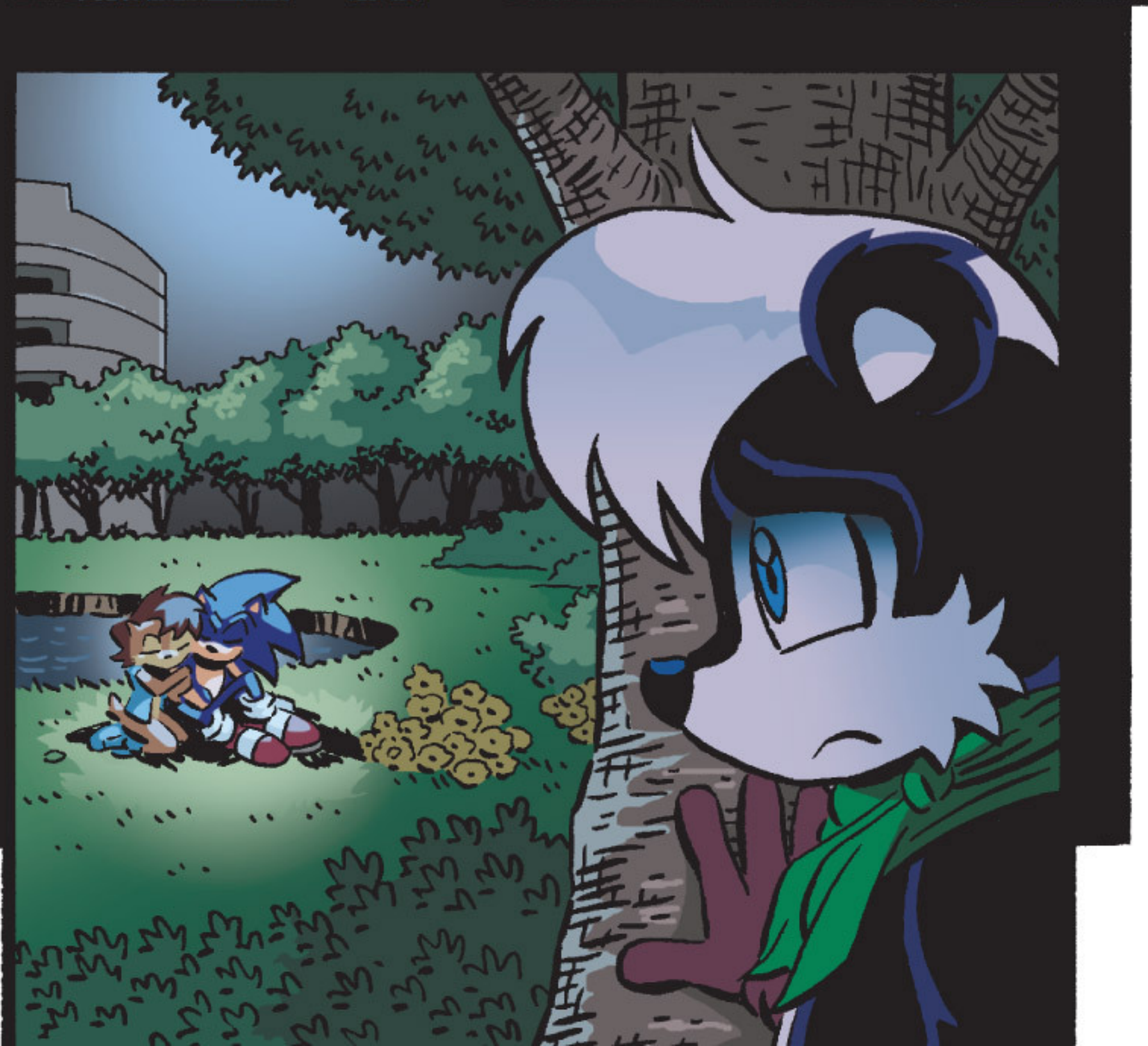
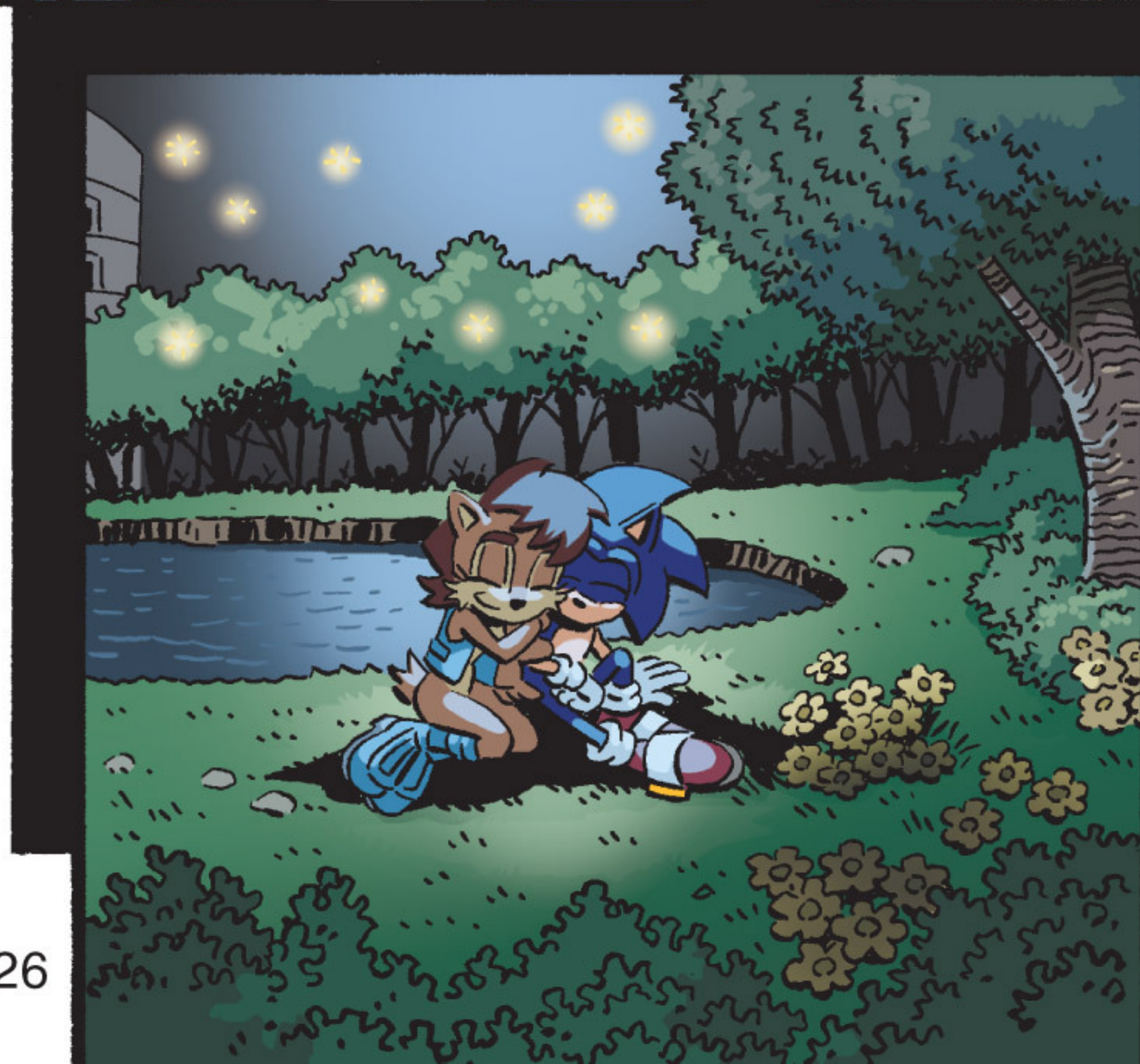
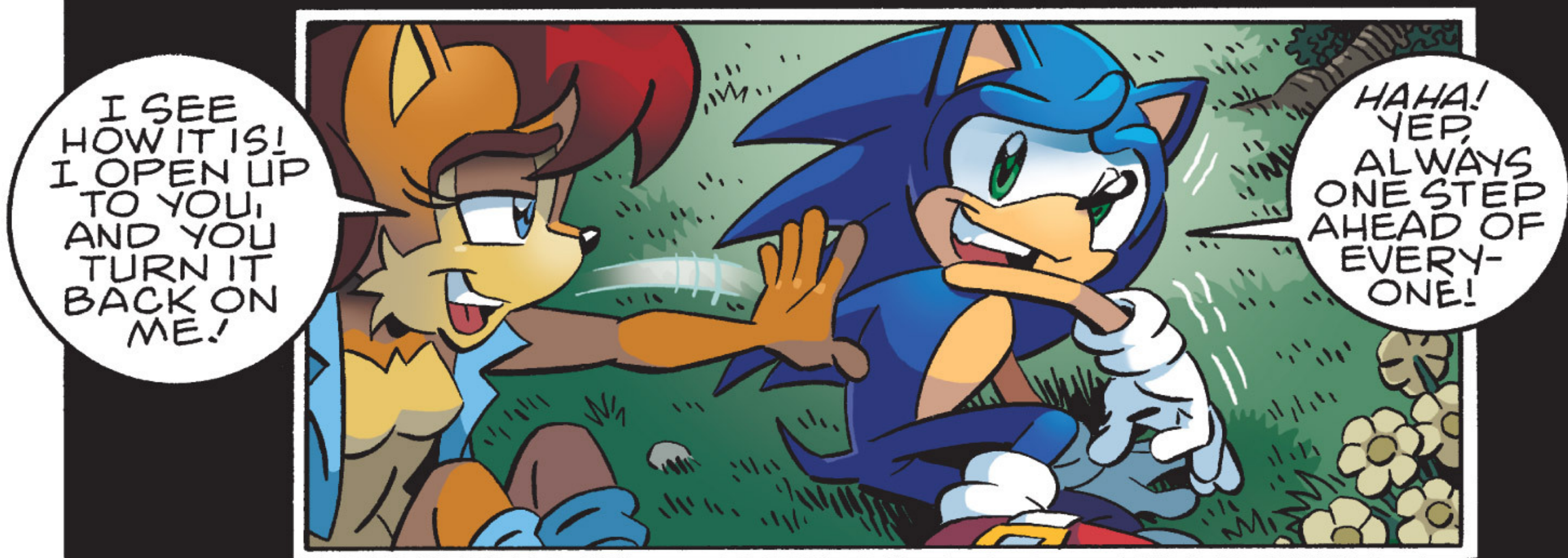
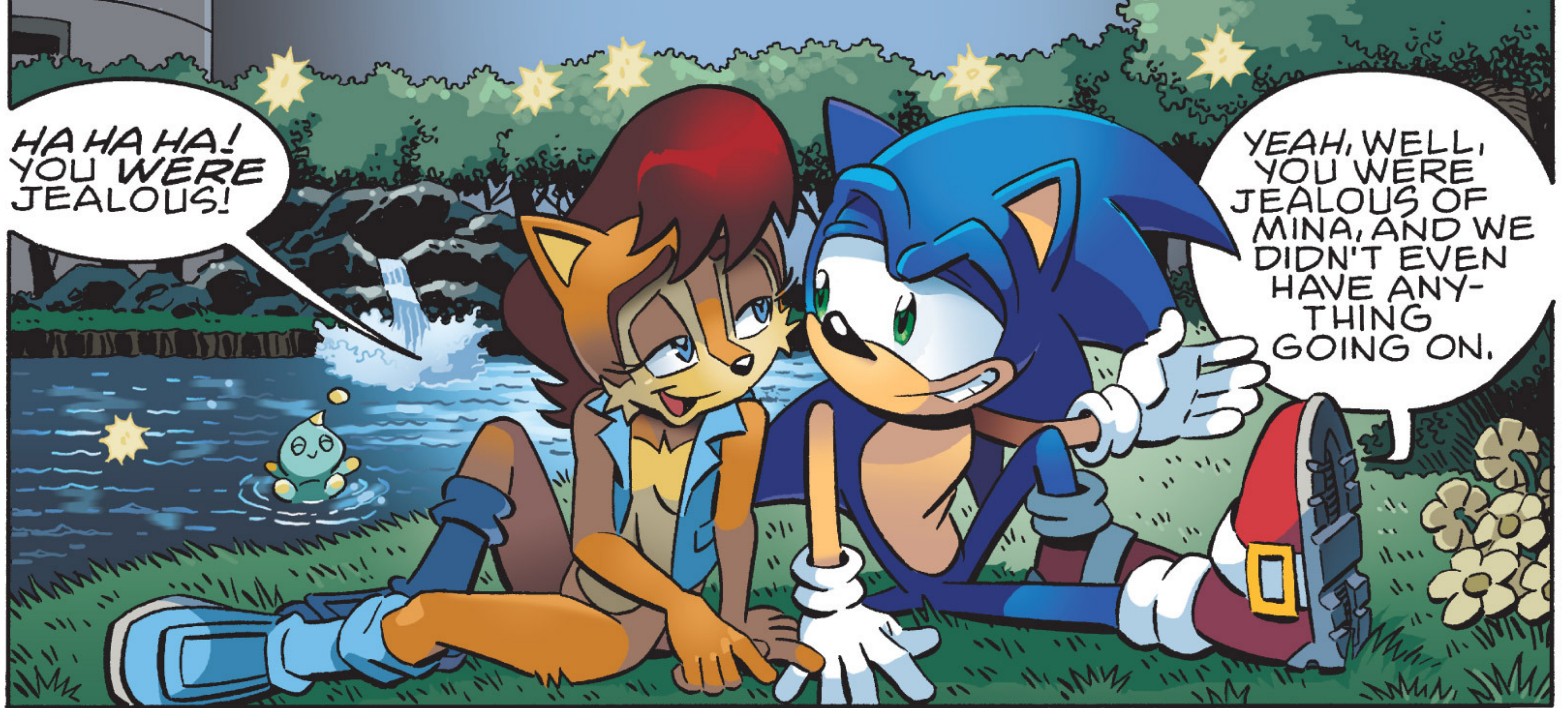
I NEVER SAID I ALWAYS MADE THE **RIGHT** MOVES.

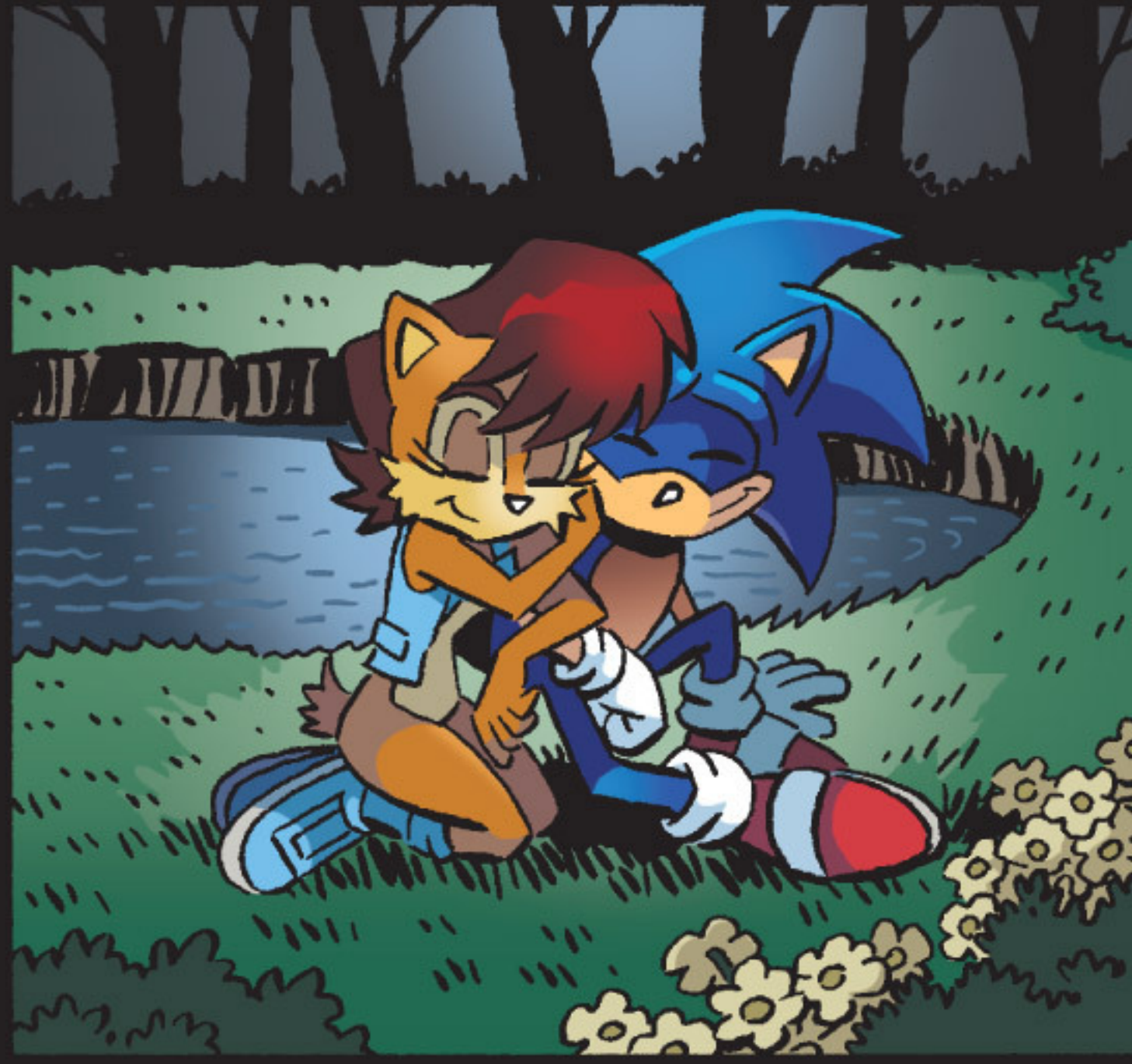


SO YOU WOULD'VE BEEN OKAY IF I STAYED WITH KEN KHAN?

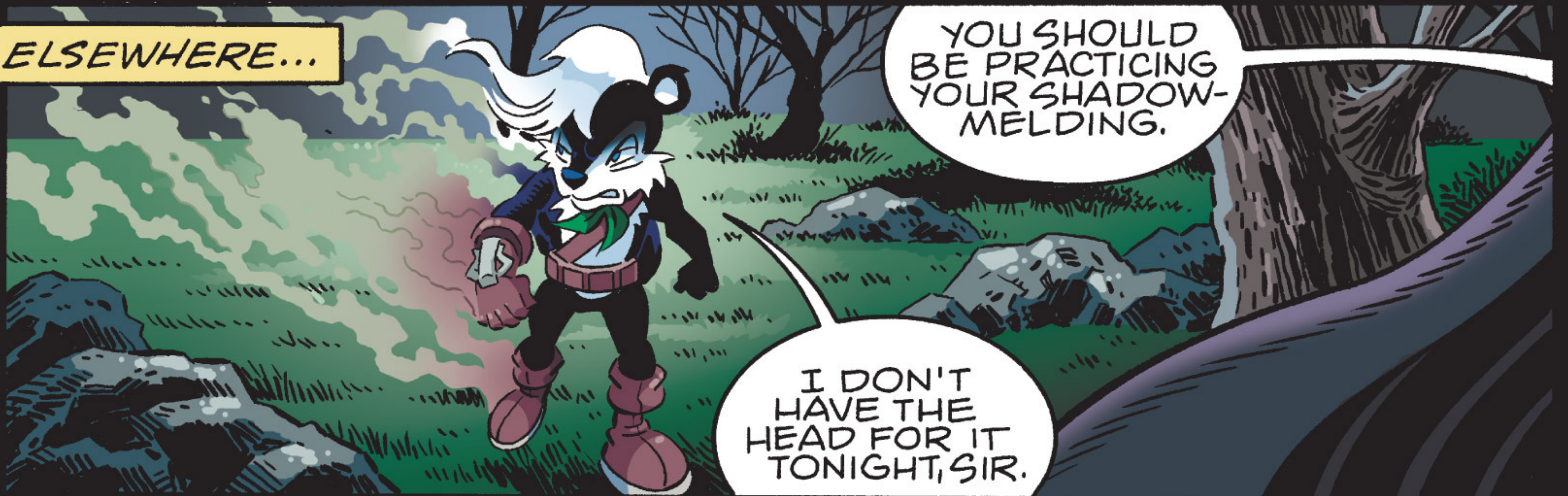


WELL...HE'S A STEP UP FROM GEOFFREY, BUT THAT'S NOT SAYING MUCH.





ELSEWHERE...



YOU SHOULD
BE PRACTICING
YOUR SHADOW-
MELDING.

I DON'T
HAVE THE
HEAD FOR IT
TONIGHT, SIR.

CLEAR YOUR
THOUGHTS, BOY!
TOMORROW, **NEW
MOBOTROPOLIS**
WILL BE MINE!

TO BE
CONTINUED
IN CURRENT
ISSUES OF
SONIC THE
HEDGEHOG -
AVAILABLE NOW
FOR
SUBSCRIPTION
OR AT A FINE
RETAILER
NEAR YOU!



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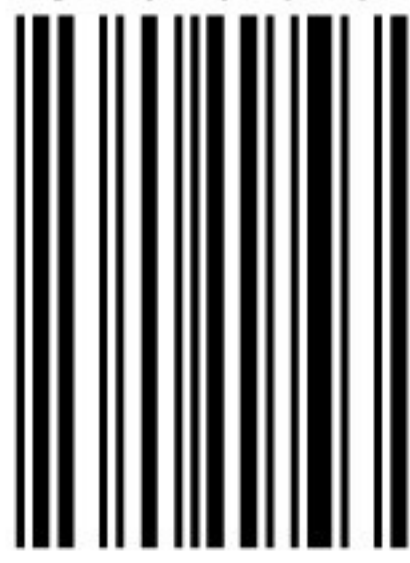
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